





TO REORDER THIS BOOK MENTION

**ACORN No. 15**

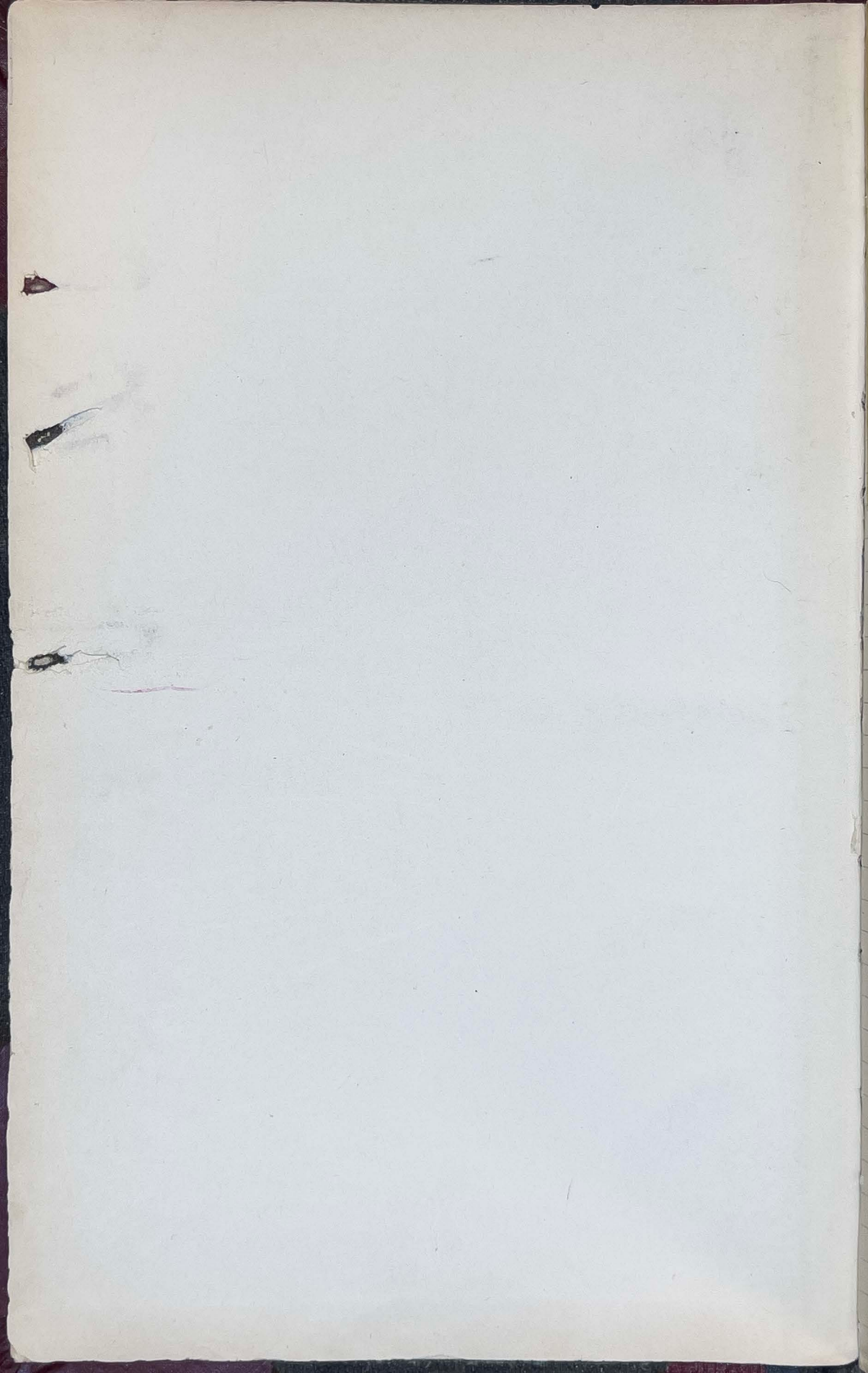
SPECIFY NUMBER OF PAGES AND RULING

A. C. McCLURG & CO., CHICAGO











for Barbara

1965

1968 minutes



## HORSES-FICTION

J  
FIC  
Roc

Rockwood, Joyce.

Groundhog's horse / by Joyce  
Rockwood. Drawings by Victor Kalin.  
New York, N.Y.: Holt Rinehart & Winston,  
1978.

115p

An eleven-year-old Cherokee sets off  
on a one-boy raid of a Creek town to  
rescue his "unusual" horse.

1.Cherokee Indians-Fiction 2.Indians  
of North America-Fiction 3.Horses-  
Fiction I.Kalin, Victor, illustrator  
II.t.



## LIBRARY INSURANCE POLICIES.

In safe in store room downstairs of  
Public Library building.

1937Expires

3000 July 29, 1937 \*\*\*\*\* Franklin: 52.75 .#126  
Murphy Expired

3000 July 31, 1937 \*\*\*\*\* American; 47.00 #10055  
Dean expired

\*\*\*\*\*

3000 July 29, 1938 Ohio Farmer; 52.75 #273  
Woodworth

\*\*\*\*\*

3000 Aug. 4, 1938 London; 47.00 #11105  
La Rue

3000 June 21, 1939 Philadelphia; 47.00 #1395  
Scott

3000 July 29, 1939 New Hampshire 47  
Hopkins #237445

\*\*\*\*\*

Cancel and rewrite for three years.

Building..3yr. .67½  
Contents 3yr 1.25  
Supl. 3yr .70

\*\*\*\*\*Renewed

3000 July 29/1940 Franklin 52.75 F3857-27  
Murphy

\*\*\*\*\*Renewed

3000 July 31, 1940 American Ins Co 47.00 #10098  
C.J. Dean Co



June 17th. 1937.

Library Board met at 7:30 P. M. with the following members present: -  
Mrs. Eva J. Ross, Mr. A. H. K. K. K.,  
Mr. W. H. Gardiner, Miss Merry & Mr. Arnott.  
minutes

The following bills were read & approved.

|                                                   |        |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Funk & Wagnalls book.                             | 5.30   |
| Encyclopedia Britannica books.                    | 54.50  |
| Ralph Donnelly - Repairing doors                  | 5.10   |
| Russell's Paint & Body Co. for repairing awnings. | 2.50   |
| H. W. Wilson Co. Subscriptions.                   | 47.80  |
| Ida Milliken Sundries from 2/26 to 6/17/37        | 6.19   |
| R. E. Shinn - Work on furnace                     | 2.80   |
| Total.                                            | 123.74 |

Moved by Mr. Arnott & seconded by Miss Merry. That the oral bill be allowed and paid when O. K. by the Committee. Carried.

Motion Carried That Miss Milliken be empowered to have the walls of the Building cleaned, subject to the approval of the House Committee.

Librarian instructed to secure stair tread.

Mr. Gardiner made motion that the two Librarian, Miss Milliken and Mrs. Stenphens be allowed a quarters vacation with pay. Supported by Miss Merry after some discussion this motion was laid on the table until the next regular or called meeting.



before Motion of Mrs Stoppins and second  
by Miss Merry. The request of the  
Jasper County Historical Society was granted  
space in the Library in which to store some  
some of their Historical Records <sup>etc</sup> and ~~etc~~

The meeting was then on motion  
adjourned.

Judson Hunt Fred E. Arnett Secy Pro Tem  
Pres.

Russell Ind 7/30-37

The Library Board met in the Library  
at 7:30 P.M. with the following  
members present J. J. Hunt Blanche Merry  
Ora T. Ross Mrs A. St. Stoppins Edson Merry  
True S. Woodworth Fred Arnett.

In the absence of the Secretary  
Fred Arnett was appointed to act as  
Secretary in her place.

The Finance Committee reported that  
the bill from Callahan and Tamm  
for Coal had been O.K.'d and paid June 24  
in the sum of - \$235.31

The following bills were read and  
on motion approved and order paid

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Chas L. Murphy Ins -   | 52.75        |
| Chas J. Deane Ins. "   | 47.00        |
| Mayford Bros Supplies  | 12.56        |
| American Book Co Books | 4.62         |
|                        | <hr/> 116.93 |



July 30 - 1937. Continued

5

On Motion of Edson Murray and Seconded by Mrs Ross that Ed Moore be hired to clean the walls of the Library up stairs in the Main Auditorium and the office. (Motion Carried)

The Wright Surmeters Co submitted a bid for replacing the tread on the stair way - at the entrance to the Library - Same to be Inlay Linoleum with Chromium plates - for the Run of 32' 0" Completed Presented and Seconded Motion this was Continued until the next meeting and the Librarian was instructed to get other bids and submit them to the Board.

The Motion of Mr Jordine <sup>at the last meeting</sup> to allow the Librarian Miss Milliken and Mrs Skempie a Months Vacation with pay which was Carried over until the next regular or Called Meeting was brought up for discussion and after some discussion a vote was taken and the motion Carried.

On Motion of Fred Amatt and Supported by Mr Woodworth The Chair was instructed to appoint a Committee to prepare a budget for the year 1938 and present same to the next Council and the Trustee and Marion Grop and his Board.

Mrs Ofa T Ross - Miss Blanca Merry and Edson Murray. was appointed on that Committee.

No further business appearing the Board was on Motion adjourned.

Judson H. Smith  
Pres't.

Frederic E. Carver  
Secy Pro Tem.



Russell, Ind., Sept. 30, 1937

The Library Board met in the library office at 5 p. m. The following members were present: J. J. Hunt, Ora J. Ross, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Edson Murray, Irue D. Woodworth and W. C. Jardine.

In the absence of the Secretary W. C. Jardine was appointed to act as secretary in her place.

Minutes for the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were presented:

|                                                      |           |        |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Clairidge Book Shop                                  | books     | 37.80  |
| Macmillan Co.                                        | "         | 9.02   |
| Hehn & Hoth - For binding                            | books     | 10.53  |
| J. I. Holcomb Co.                                    | floor oil | 5.25   |
| J. H. Skinner, Director                              | circulars | 1.25   |
| McKnight & McKnight                                  | books     | 6.28   |
| J. B. Lippincott Co.                                 | books     | 12.25  |
| Mrs. Geo. C. Baum, Treas. I. & T. A.                 |           | 2.00   |
| Fendig's Books & Sundries                            |           | 164.89 |
| Ida Milliken Sundries from June 18 to Sept. 30, 1937 |           | 13.82  |
| Total                                                |           | 263.09 |
| Add for help                                         |           | 4.50   |
| Total                                                |           | 267.59 |

Mrs. Hopkins moved to approve the bills, seconded by Mr. Woodworth. Motion carried.

Bill for Ed Moore \$68.50 approved by committee. Ora J. Ross moved payment of. Seconded by Mrs. Hopkins. Motion carried. Then Mrs. Ross moved to have cleaning completed by Ed Moore. Mrs. Hopkins seconded. Motion carried.

Bids from W. J. Wright and Hudson and Kessler for linoleum to be laid on stairs to library were considered. Mrs. Ross moved to have the House Committee approve the type of linoleum and have it laid. Mr. Woodworth seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hunt reported on the library tax.



The cut of the levy was discussed. Mrs. Ross moved to appeal from the decision of the County Board of adjustment. Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A brief discussion was <sup>held</sup> on assistance for Miss Millikin. No further business appearing, the board on a motion adjourned.

Judson Hunt      W. C. Jardine, Secy, Protem  
Pres.



Dec. 30th. 1937.

Library Board met at 7.30 P.M. with the following members present,

Mr. J. J. Hunt, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins,  
Mr. Edson Murray, Mr. Fred Woodworth,  
and Mrs. Jas. H. Chapman.

The following bills were allowed.

|                    |                                           |         |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Guyford Bros.      | supplies.                                 | 40 69   |
| Chas. Scribner     | Diet. Biography.                          | 12 50   |
| A. H. Roemer Co.   | Books.                                    | 30.89   |
| Jas. Co. Democrat. | Sub. 3 <sup>25</sup> Sub. 1 <sup>50</sup> | 4.75-   |
| Chas. W. Rhoades.  | Elec. repairs                             | 4.20    |
| Hudson's Knacker   | Linoleum for stairs                       | 35.42.  |
| Indigo.            | Books 350 <sup>25</sup> Sup. 90c          | 307. 15 |
| Am. Lit. Assn.     | Sub. Booklist                             | 3.00    |
| Ind. His. Society  | " + Dues.                                 | 3.      |
| Ida Milliken       | Sundries from 9/30 to 12/30               | 12.75-  |
| A. H. Assn.        | Dues.                                     | 5.      |
| Total,             |                                           | 503.35  |

Moved & supported by Mr. Murray & Chapman that bill be allowed - Carried.

Moved that Mr. Robert Wright be thanked for his services in behalf of the Library before the Tax Adjustment Board and a fee of \$15.00 be given him.

The Co. Board of Tax Adjustment had reduced the levy from 10 to 8 in the city budget. and the State Tax Board re-instated the original levy of 10 c.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman,  
Secy.

Jackson Hunt  
Pres.



April 7 - 1938.

The Library met at \_\_\_\_\_ with the following members present:-  
 J. P. Hunt, Mrs A. H. Hopkins, Mr. Edson Murray,  
 Mr. Gardiner, Miss Merry + Mr. J. H. Chapman.

Bills as follows were allowed:-

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Hehn + Hoch - Binding Books            | 22.31  |
| Nat. School Book Service. - Books      | 29.23  |
| J. I. Holcomb Co. Carton Paper Towels. | 2.50   |
| Gas. Co. Democrat. Books Labels        | 2.25   |
| Freudig Drug Store. Books              | 278.78 |
| " " " Office Supplies                  | .65    |
| " " " " "                              | .60    |
|                                        | 280.03 |

Ida Milliken Sundries from

Dec. 30/37. to April 7/38 10.78

Motion for approval by Mrs. Hopkins 347.10  
 and Mr. Gardiner. - Bills allowed.

Two bills were paid in February by approval  
 of the President + Secretary, as follows:-

Feb. 3/38 Ed. Moore - Working walls in Basement - \$26.  
 " 23/38 Mrs. Maggie Huston - Magazines for year - 99.60  
 Approval of action of officers - by motion of Mr. Gardiner + Murray - carried.

The Librarian reported the balances on hand  
 April 1 - 1938. of \$1088.83.

Carried Motion by Mr. Chapman + Gardiner to have  
 the House Committee attend to the painting  
 of the Basement Auditorium + small room,  
 and the Roof + Windows and outside woodwork.  
 Motion by Mr. Murray + supported by Mrs.  
 Hopkins to purchase slack No. 7066 D.  
 of Remington Rand, Inc. @ \$118.50  
 Miss Merry moved + President supported  
 that the Cost be purchased for the coming  
 year. Carried.  
 Mrs. Hopkins moved that the Janitors



salary be \$20 for the each month  
of the year. (carried)

Board adjourned,  
Mrs. Blanche L. Chapman.  
Judson Kimb Secy.  
Pres.

Pursuant Ind 6/30/88

The Reading Board met at the Library  
at 7:30 P.M. with the following members  
present:

J. H. Hunt Mrs. A. H. Hopkins Mrs. Bessie Mary  
Mrs. Ora T. Ross and Fred Arnold

The Minutes of the last meeting  
was read and approved.

The following Bills were read  
approved and order paid

Findig very store

|                                      |       |            |
|--------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Paints for library                   | 3310  | auditorium |
| Books                                | 12987 |            |
| Ramp                                 | 55    | 16352      |
| Edmund Allen Q. Books                |       | 947        |
| E. S. Moore Labor painting, Repair   |       | 6800       |
| E. S. Moore Painting downstairs      |       | 3500       |
| Edney Robinson Repair Gas line       |       | 250        |
| Wesley & Hopkins Paint outside       |       | 1980       |
| Calahan & Kanner Coal                |       | 28774      |
| James Critter Grod dirt              |       | 300        |
| Persselaer Timber Co Supplies Repair |       | 886        |
| J. W. Wilson Rebinding               |       | 4830       |
| Keeney & Reed Co Book Stick          |       | 11850      |
| Ida Miliken Indories                 |       | 565        |
| Worcester & Bed Co Supply            |       | 62         |
| Reph Donnelly                        |       | 1272       |
|                                      |       | \$783.71   |



Our motion made and supported  
Mr Hunt was authorized to get rid of the  
old piano in the basement either by sale  
or gift

No further business the Board was  
on Motion adjourned

Judson Hunt Secy Fred Arnold acting Secy  
Past

Remitted \$13/38

The Library Board met at the library  
with following members present:

Mrs. Ross, and Mr. Murray.

On account of a violent storm  
there was not a quorum present  
Mr. Hunt, Mrs. Hopkins and Mrs.  
Chapman, gave their approval of  
the allowance of the bills, over  
the telephone -

Bills as follows: -

|                                          |        |
|------------------------------------------|--------|
| R L Coe Co - Binding magazines           | 51.15  |
| Macmillan Co - Books                     | 12.30  |
| Gunk & Maguall "                         | 5.60   |
| John & Roth Binding books                | 20.38  |
| Interstate Printing Co book              | 2.61   |
| Bruce Publishing Co "                    | 2.93   |
| Endeigo Books 965.                       | 34.65  |
| Ed. Moon - for painting roof & repairing | 20.00  |
| Ida Mulliken Sundries from 6/30/38       | 5.02   |
| Ralph Donnelly Radiator bases            | 8.25   |
| Remuslar Lumber Co. Materials            | 4.06   |
| Yomigra Leo Books                        | 16.00  |
| E. M. Larnes Insurance                   | 47.00  |
| D. R. Jones                              | 35.49  |
| J. B. Lippincott Co. Books               | 265.44 |
| Ida Mulliken                             | 3.12   |
| Librarian                                | 268.56 |



Dec. 2. 1938.

The Library Board met in the Librarian's Office at 5 P. M. with the following members present. J. J. Hunt, Mrs. Ord T. Ross, Mrs. A. N. Hopkins, Mrs. Woodworth, Edou Murray, + Mrs. Blanche Chapman. Miss Blanche Merry.

The following bills <sup>Minutes of Sept 13. read & approved.</sup> were read, approved and ordered paid:—

|                                                     |                  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Indiana Library <sup>Trustees</sup> Assn. dues "38. | 2.               |
| Reynolds Republican. Subscription.                  | 1.               |
| Jasper Co. Democrat.                                | 2.               |
| A. N. Marquis Co. Books.                            | 7.97             |
| Beckley Cardy Co.                                   | 13.51            |
| Fending Drug Store.                                 | 239.28           |
| Eda Milliken                                        | Supplies "40.    |
| Sundries.                                           | 240.60           |
|                                                     | 10.77            |
|                                                     | <u>\$ 277.85</u> |

Motion by Miss Merry + seconded by Mrs. Ross. That the Com. on Building, Mr. Murray Chairman, see that the gutters + down spouts on the building and the rear entrance be repaired. carried.

Motion by Mr. Murray + seconded by Mrs. Hopkins that 24 chairs to match the ones in library be purchased. was discussed + carried.

Board adjourned. Judson Hunt  
Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.



April 25th. 1939.

The following members of the Library Board met in the office at 5 P.M. -  
Mr. Hunt, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Hopkins  
Mrs. Murray + Mr. Bruce.

1938 The minutes of the last meeting Dec. 2nd.  
were read and approved.

The following bills

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Macmillan Co. books.                | 34.64  |
| International Library Assn. books.  | 12.53  |
| Gaylord Bros. Supplies.             | 41.30  |
| Fendig Drug Store. Books 217.57 +   |        |
| Office Supplies 75¢                 | 218.26 |
| Remington Rand 24 chairs.           | 188.40 |
| American Library Assn. Subscription | 3.     |
| a total of                          | 498.13 |

were paid Dec. 31, 1938 in order to be included in the yearly report. + were authorized by Mr. Hunt, Mrs. Ross + Mrs. Chapman  
Approved by the Board.

The bill of Mrs. Maggie Hutton for 41 magazines, amount \$93.75 was paid February 28, 39. Approved by Board.

Bills read and ordered paid at this meeting: -

|                                          |        |
|------------------------------------------|--------|
| Indiana Historical Society - membership. | 3.00   |
| Am. Library Assn. dues                   | 5.00   |
| Grolier Society books                    | 15.80  |
| Reuschaer Lumber Co. glass for door      | 2.00   |
| Macmillan Co. books                      | 11.61  |
| Hehn + Hoth binding books.               | 13.90  |
| Ida Milliken sundries Dec 2nd to Apr. 25 | 11.19  |
| Fendig Drug Store. books 196.93.         |        |
| " " " Freight + office supplies 1.32.    | 198.26 |
| Total amount -                           | 260.76 |

Allowed + ordered paid



The Librarian reported a balance in  
the Bank of \$172.47.

The Librarians are to arrange their vacations  
for the summer during June, July and  
August. and to close in the afternoon  
at 5 P. M.

No further business, the board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.

Judson Hunt  
Pres't



July, 31<sup>st</sup>. 1939.

The following members of the Library Board met in the office of the Librarian on July 28<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Arnold, Mrs. Ora T. Rowe, & Mrs. A. H. Hopkins.

Not having a quorum they adjourned to meet Monday morning July 30<sup>th</sup> with the following present: - J. J. Hunt, Mrs. Ora T. Rowe, Mr. Harley Bruce, Miss Merry, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Mr. Edna Murray.

The following bills were read, approved and ordered paid by warrants 45 to 58.

|                     |                                         |             |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Arthur Hopkins.     | Insurance                               | 47. 00      |
| George W. Scott     | "                                       | 47. 00      |
| Nelson Plumbing Co. | House Repairs.                          | 7. 27       |
| Macmillan Co.       | Books.                                  | 41. 98      |
| Gaylord Bros.       | General Supplies.                       | 8. 21       |
| Fulk & Nagall.      | Books.                                  | 5. 30       |
| H. H. Wilson Co.    | Book Subscription                       | 48.80 53.80 |
| Hickman Co.         | Binding.                                | 11. 45      |
| J. J. Holcomb Co.   | House Supplies                          | 5. 00       |
| R. L. Coaler Co.    | Binding                                 | 3. 73       |
| Ralph Donnelly.     | Repair Door & Floor                     | 20. 80      |
| Fendig Store        | Books 173.84 & Supplies                 | 173. 34     |
| Eda Milliken        | Dues Dec. 25 to July 30 <sup>th</sup> . | 6. 89       |
|                     | Total                                   | 431. 77     |

Board also allowed payment of the coal bill to be delivered to-day. Warrant No. 58 for \$2.00 00

Matter of covering entrance with linoleum and rubber mats for stair-steps & repair of downspouts was ordered taken care of by the House Committee.

Budget for coming year was discussed.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

Judson Hunt  
Pres.



Nov. 30. 1939.

Library Board met with the following members present, Mrs. Hopkins was present  
 Mr. J. F. Hunt, Mrs. Ed. J. Ross, Mr. H. E. Bruce,  
 Miss Merry,  
 Minutes of July 31. read & approved.

Bills allowed were as follows:-

|                       |                       |        |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Wakon Plumbing Co.    | Repairs               | 1.95   |
| Remington Rand        | Off. Supplies (15.05) | 16.05  |
| Penn. Pub. Co.        | Books                 | .82    |
| R. R. Bowler Co.      | Book-week supplies    | 4.28   |
| Bruce Pub. Co.        | Books                 | 5.58   |
| Caxton Printers       | "                     | 27.25  |
| Hickman Bindery       | "                     | 40.50  |
| Jas. Co. Democrat     | Labels & Supplies     | 4.50   |
| Renascence Republican | Subscription          | 1.00   |
| Books Merrill Co.     | Books                 | 23.58  |
| J. B. Lippincott      | "                     | 18.34  |
| Deekly Cardy Co.      | "                     | 18.12  |
| Macmillan Co.         | Book                  | .82    |
| Fendigs 1             | Books 316.28          | 319.58 |

Jan. Supplies 1.40  
 Office Supplies 1.90.

Ida Milliken Dandries from July 39. 8.88  
 490.25

Hahn & Hoth. Binding also allowed.  
 and to be paid when presented.

Board discussed the matter of making a room of the space at the right of the entrance now occupied by a stair way, being converted into a room & to connect with the auditorium.

Motion that Building Com. get estimates on the work.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.  
 Jackson Hunt  
 Pres.



March 15. 1940 5 P.M.  
Library Board met with the  
following members present:  
Mr. J. J. Hunt, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins,  
Mrs. Oda Ross, Mr. E. Murray, Mr.  
Bruce and Miss Perry.

Mr. Chapman the Secretary was  
absent and Mr. Hunt requested  
Miss Perry to act pro tem.

Minutes of the November Meeting  
were read and approved.

The following bills were read  
by Mr. Hunt:

|    |                                          |        |
|----|------------------------------------------|--------|
| Mo | H. E. Conington Co. Encyclopedias        | 60.20  |
|    | Longford Bros. - Supplies                | 11.55  |
|    | J. J. Holcomb Co. Books                  | 3.14   |
|    | M. G. McLean Co. Books                   | 35.70  |
|    | Chas. H. Phoenix Rep. Wiring             | 1.50   |
|    | American Library Ass'n dues              | 8.00   |
|    | Indiana Lib. Ass'n <sup>4 sub</sup> dues | 1.50   |
|    | Indiana Lib. Trustees Ass'n              | 2.00   |
|    | Indiana Historical Soc. Sub.             | 3.00   |
|    | Fundings Books & Supplies                | 269.17 |
|    | Lida M. Martin Journals                  | 16.39  |

from Nov 28/39  
Total 412.14

Two bills - one to Geo. E. Dunn Co

for 18.50 - and one to

Maggie Huston \$93.15 for

Magazine samples, have been

paid and approved by Board.

Motion that the bills be paid  
made by Mrs. Hopkins and seconded  
by Mr. Murray. Ordered paid.

Mrs. Ross inquired if the  
building committee had  
investigated the space near  
the entrance. This reason



was that Gen. Milroy's son had  
 left his historical relics to either  
 the library or the Historical Society.  
 The Board spent some time  
 in discussion of the possibility  
 of the space being made usable.  
 Mr. Hunt asked that the  
 Committee continue.  
 Meeting adjourned.

Judson Hunt  
 Pres.

Blanche Merri  
 Secy No Tent.



Mar 31st. 1940.

Library Board met at 7.30 P.M. with  
Mr. G. J. Hunt, Mrs. Ross, Miss Merry,  
Mr. Arnott, & Mrs. Chapman present.  
Minutes read & approved of the March 15<sup>th</sup>  
meeting.

The following bills were read and ordered  
paid. viz: -

|                       |                                  |       |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| Funk & Wagwell,       | Books.                           | 5.30  |
| Helm & Holt           | Binding 846 Book 1 <sup>00</sup> | 9.46  |
| Pumsluer, Lumber Co.  | Glass for basement.              | 2.61  |
| Fendick's Drug Store. | Books.                           | 17.92 |
| Beckley Caddy Co.     | Book.                            | 7.57  |
| Am. Educational Press | Books.                           | 2.61  |
| Bots Merrill Co.      | Books.                           | 5.13  |
| Daylord Bros.         | Supplies.                        | 16.00 |
| John C. Winston Co.   | Books.                           | 13.99 |
| Ralph Donnelly.       | Arnings.                         | 17.35 |
| Edw. Milliken         | Sundries from March 15-          | 2.81  |
|                       | Total.                           | 93.99 |

On Motion Librarian was instructed to purchase  
one steel Book Stack.

Librarian reported the Bank Balance to be 1868.68  
Home Com & Librarian were to investigate the  
remodeling of the space near the entrance &  
the shelving of part of it & removal of the  
stage in main auditorium.

Motion was made by Mrs. Ross & Mr. Arnott, seconded  
it.

Board decided to have the walls of the  
Library washed, and steps to basement  
coated with Linoleum. +

coal purchased.

Meeting adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman,

Judson Hunt  
Pres't

Sec'y.



July 30 - 1940.

The following members of the Library Board met in the Indian Room:-  
J. J. Hunt, Mrs. Edw. J. Ross, Miss Merry & Mrs. Chapman,  
Mrs. Edson Murray.

The following bills paid June 29th. & to be approved at this meeting were:-

|                                   |        |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Talbert Coal Co. on account.      | 240.   |
| Fendig Drug Store. for books.     | 188.14 |
| Hahn & Hoth " binding books.      | 4.02   |
| H.W. Wilson & Co. Subscriptions.  | 39.40  |
| Fisher Bros. Paper.               | 1.58   |
| Reusslaer Lumber Co. Repairing    | 2.95   |
| Reincington Road Co. Steel track. | 118.50 |

Approved - Total 594.59.

Bills to be paid to-day.

|                                                      |         |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| O. E. Talbert Co. balance on coal.                   | 42.66   |
| C. L. Murphy Insurance.                              | 52.75   |
| Dean Ins. Agency.                                    | 47.00   |
| Chas. W. Rhodes. Electrical work.                    | 5.67    |
| Hahn & Hoth. Books.                                  | 2.28    |
| Guoney J. Green. Electric Clock.                     | 10.00   |
| Al-Gax Chemical Co. Furniture Oil.                   | 2.67    |
| Fendig Drug Store. Books.                            | 7.29    |
| Intestate Printing Co. Books.                        | 4.50    |
| Ida Milliken - Subscribes from May 30 - to July 30 - | 5.29    |
| Total                                                | 180.13. |

R. E. Sherer - Repair faucets, flush. Etc. 5.66.  
Bills ordered paid.

Letter from Mrs. Y. K. Bridwell, Pres. Trustees Assn. was read. which stated Trustees Assn. would meet Nov. 12 & 13th. in Indianapolis.

Minutes of May 31st. read & approved.

Houred copy. reported and were instructed to have the work done & use their own judgment.  
Judson Hunt & Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.  
Presk



December 3 - 1940.

The Library Board met in the Librarian's Office with following members present: -  
J. J. Hunt, Edson Murray, and T. Ross,  
Martha Ellen Hopkins &

Blauche K. Chapman

Bills were approved and ordered paid: -

|                                                                    |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Caxton Printers Books.                                             | 6.84   |
| Marmellau Co.                                                      | 14.03  |
| Allyn & Bacon                                                      | 9.05   |
| Bruce Pub. Co.                                                     | 2.29   |
| J. B. Lippincott & Co.                                             | 15.30  |
| Hahn & Hoth Books                                                  | 24.14  |
| Haywood Pub. Co. Budget Forms.                                     | .95    |
| Eugene R. Bowers. - Overhauling Typewriter                         | 13.60  |
| Rhodes Elec Shop. Work.                                            | 2.97   |
| Jasper Co. Democrat sub. 2 <sup>00</sup> tk plates 2 <sup>25</sup> | 4.25   |
| Reus. Republican sub.                                              | 1.00   |
| Dolph Day. Plastering repair work.                                 | 2.00   |
| Ralph Dounnelly Labor & material                                   | 161.14 |
| Fading Ineq Store. Books 290.78 Paint.                             | 300.40 |
| Ida Millikan sundry cash items                                     | 13.53  |
| Indiana Library Trustees Assn. dues 1940                           | 2.00   |
| Am. Library Assoc. (Brok. List 1941)                               | 3.00   |
| Watson Plumbing Co.                                                | 3.06   |
| Total -                                                            | 579.53 |

Bank Balance to date 1123.05 (Nov. 30)

No. other business, motion to adjourn was made by Edson Murray.

Blauche K. Chapman Secy.

Judson J. Hunt  
Pres.



Page  
Blank



February 25th. 1941.

Library Board met in the Librarian's office with the following members present:-

Mr. Ora J. Ross, Mr. A. H. Hopkins, Miss Merry, Mr. Bruce & Mr. B. L. Chapman.

Bills allowed & ordered paid viz:-

|                                                    |        |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Kuhn & Roth Books                                  | 80.45  |
| Macmillan Co. Books.                               | 9.36   |
| Appleton-Century Co. Books.                        | 1.16   |
| Gaylord Bros. supplies.                            | 15.35  |
| American Book Co. Books.                           | .79    |
| Indiana Historical Society Sub.                    | 3.00   |
| Ind. Library Assn. dues.                           | 1.00   |
| Fendig's Hfst. Books 184.34. Glass 2 <sup>00</sup> | 186.34 |
| American Library Assn. dues.                       | 5.00   |

Ida Miller's. Dues from Dec. 3/40 to

February 28, 1941

7.55

Mrs. L. M. Huston - subscriptions for 1941-42 - 93.15

Total.

403.65

Balance in bank, Feb 28-41 - 2018.41

Motion to allow the bills and warrants to be made for payment of same, was made by Mrs. Ross & seconded by Miss Merry, carried.

Librarian requested that the remainder of the Fendig order of books and bill for binding of some books be allowed.

Board granted the request and privilege of issuing warrants.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

approved  
6/26/41



Russell's Indian June 26 1941

The Library Board met in the office of Librarian with the following members present  
J. J. Jones Mrs. Ross - Mrs. Stephens - Miss Merry  
Fred E. Arnold.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were read and on motion allowed and orders paid.

|                       |                       |       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| Stephens & Son        | - Books -             | 1247  |
| Bridley - book        | "                     | 819   |
| McMillan Co           | "                     | 1227  |
| Eddy and Peck         | "                     | 3030  |
| Chas. Scribner's      | "                     | 4530  |
| Funk and Wagnalls     | "                     | 530   |
| Tennings              | "                     | 290   |
| H. W. Wilson Co       | Sub.                  | 3940  |
| Stehm and Stock       | Binding               | 938   |
| Gambrell Printing Co. | Stationery            | 285   |
| J. J. Stalcorum Co    | cleaning              | 325   |
| Ida Melliken Lumber   | 2 1/8 to 4 1/2        | 1290  |
| Ralph Donnelly        | making screen hanging | 945   |
| Pictures              | total                 | 19396 |

On motion by Mrs. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Stephens the Librarian was ordered to pay the Talbert Co \$275.00 before July 12th to apply on Coan bill.

Miss Melliken reported that Miss Wells our Art teacher had asked to have a permanent display of her work on display in the Library. and after some discussion it was decided that the request be not granted as there did not seem to be any room for it.

Balance cash on hand this date 1916.42

Fred E. Arnold  
ack Secy.



Rensselaer, Ind. - Aug. 13-1941

The Library Board met in the Library Office. The following members present: Mr. Hunt, Mrs. Ross, Mr. Bruce, Mr. <sup>Murray</sup> Marshall, Mrs. Hopkins, Miss Murray, Mrs. Chapman. A motion to pay the bills as listed below was made by Mr. Murray, sec. - by Mrs. Ross:

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| H. M. Woodsworth Insurance  | 52.75  |
| Hahn + Roth Books           | 9.22   |
| Macmillan Co. "             | 6.68   |
| W. J. Wright Floor Covering | 47.80  |
| Fendig Drug Store Books     | 202.17 |
| Eda Milliken Sundries       | 3.59   |
| from June 28 - to date      |        |
| Total                       | 322.19 |

On motion of Mrs. Ross, supported by Mr. Murray, the officers were directed to pay for the shipping of books which has been received from Fendig's Drug Store <sup>within</sup> that the bill shall be presented, also to pay the premium on insurance policy which shall be presented by E. M. LaRue about Sept. 5-1941.

The Budget for the ensuing year was prepared by the Librarian and Atty. and was presented. A motion by Mrs. Hopkins and supported by Mr. Bruce was made that the board <sup>not</sup> approve was passed.

The collection ~ ~ ~

Approved  
11/28/1941.

Blaude Denny,  
Acting Secy.



November 28, 1941.

The Library Board met at five o'clock, P. M., in the office of the Librarian, with the following members present: - Mrs. Ora T. Ross, Mr. Harley Bruce, Miss Blanche Merry, Mr. R. E. Murray<sup>and</sup> Mrs. Arthur H. Hopkins. Miss Jessie Merry was a guest.

The president's chair having been vacated by the death of Judson J. Hunt, on November 1, 1941, the vice-president, Mrs. Ora T. Ross, called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Blanche L. Chapman, Mrs. Ross designated Mrs. Hopkins, Pro Tem.

The chair appointed committee on Resolutions consisting of Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Mr. Harley Bruce and Edson Murray.

Also, it was the consensus of opinion that the Librarian, Miss Ida Milliken, be instructed to notify the present judge, Moses Leopold, of the death of Judson J. Hunt, in writing.

Also, that the Librarian communicate in writing to the School Board, calling attention to the vacancy existing on the Library Board, of which it is <sup>the School Board's</sup> the privilege and duty to fill.

Mrs. Ross asked for nominations for president to succeed the late Judson J. Hunt.

Mrs. Arthur H. Hopkins presented the name of Mrs. Ora T. Ross. Mrs. Ross



very graciously declined this honor. Mrs. Hopkins then offered the name of Gerald Edson Murray. Motion was seconded by Mr. Bruce, resulting in unanimous vote. Mr. Murray took over chair.

The first item of business was that of Books from Fendigs and the Insurance on policy issued by E. M. La Rue, payment of which was arranged for in previous meeting of Aug. 13, 1941. Books were \$69.98. Insurance was \$47.00. Officers were privileged to pay these bills when presented. On motion by Mrs. Ross, seconded by Miss Merritt, these bills were passed.

The following bills were presented:

|                                      |                       |          |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Macmillan Co.                        | Books . . . . .       | 8.81     |
| Gaylord Bros                         | supplies              | 15.95    |
| Hehn & Hoth                          | binding books         | 31.47    |
| Russelaer Republican Subscription    |                       | 1.00     |
| American Film Service                | History Pict.         | 28.00    |
| D. C. Heath Co                       | Books                 | 4.41     |
| Ind. Lib Trustees Assn dues 1941     |                       | 2.00     |
| R. R. Bowker Co                      | Books & book week sup | 5.00     |
| W. J. Wright                         | House repair          | 6.15     |
| Nelson Plumbing Co.                  | House rep             | 17.41    |
| Jasper Co. Temperat Subscription     |                       | 2.00     |
| Fendigs Drug Store                   | Books & supplies      | 128.83   |
| Ida Milliken Sundries from Aug. 12   |                       | 18.20    |
| Express & postage                    |                       | 2.09     |
| Subscriptions                        |                       | 8.10     |
| Office supplies & book week supplies |                       | 3.91     |
| Books                                |                       | 3.65     |
| House supplies                       |                       | .45      |
| Campbell Printing Co Book labels     |                       | 3.25     |
| Total                                |                       | \$272.48 |



Motion to allow the bills and warrants to be drawn for their payment, was made by Miss Merry seconded by Mr. Bruce.

Motion carried. \$1435. 143.

Bank Balance 11/29/41

Mrs. Ross moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce, that the Resolutions, approved as read, be spread upon the minutes — a copy given to the widow, Mrs. Heleen Wasson Hunt, and one to each of the two city papers, The Russell Republican and The Jasper County Democrat. Carried.

By common consent the board adjourned.

Martha Ellis Hopkins, Secretary Pro Tem.

D. E. Murray Pres.



## Resolutions.

Whereas, our esteemed president, Judson J. Hunt, has been taken in death, the members of the Rensselaer Public Library board hereby wish to express their sorrow — and their appreciation of his faithful service.

Mr. Hunt was a trustee for thirty-four years and president for thirty-one of those years.

His wise guidance brought us through many difficulties and problems.

We shall always honor him for his unfailing interest in the library and his good judgment in managing its affairs.

Committee — Martha Ellis Hopkins.

Gerald Edson Murray



Page  
Blank



Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>. 1941.

The Library Board met at the Librarian's Office with the following members present:  
 Edson Murray, Pres. Mrs. Martha Hopkins, Mrs. Ora T. Ross,  
 Miss Merry + Mrs. Blanche L. Chapman.

Minutes of Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> were read + approved.

The following bills were read,

|                                                                       |  |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------|
| American Lib. Assn. Subscription                                      |  | 3.00   |
| H.W. Wilson Co. Children's Catalogue + Service, 6th Ed.               |  | 8.     |
| O.E. Talbot & Son Bal. on Coal <sup>Paid</sup> <sub>Nov Rec 754</sub> |  | 49.99  |
| Saml. R. Guard & Co. Boots                                            |  | 1.80   |
| Macmillan Co. Books                                                   |  | 4.59   |
| Fending Drug Store. Books                                             |  | 173.15 |
| Campbell Printing Co. 500 Envelopes                                   |  | 2.95   |
| Layford Bros. Inc. Supplies                                           |  | 11.15  |
| Ralph Donnelly Labor                                                  |  | 3.75   |

Moved by Mrs. Ross + seconded by Mrs. Hopkins. That bills be allowed + orders drawn for payment. Carried.

Judge Leopold appointed Mrs. Esther Allman to fill the vacancy on the board, caused by the death of Hudson J. Hunt.

Janitor Edd Moore, asked for a flag to be displayed in front of the Library Bld.

Also suggested that the shrubbery be trimmed. Miss Merry was to get prices + information on our flag and the Indiana State Flag, and report.

No further business, board adjourned.  
 Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

L. E. Murray Pres



February 25<sup>th</sup>. 1942.

The Library Board met in Librarian's room Sat 7:30 P.M. with the following members. present; - Edson Murray, Mrs. Orr Ross, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Arnott, Mrs. Allman, Mrs. W. H. Hopkins, Mrs. Delos Dean & Mrs. Chapman. The minutes of December 9<sup>th</sup>. were read & approved.

The following bills were read: -

|                                                 |        |       |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Kuhn & Koth                                     | Books. | 7.99  |
| John Wiley & Sons                               | Books. | 2.39  |
| Freddy Drug Store                               | Books. | 76.00 |
| Indiana Library Assn.                           | Dues.  | 1.50  |
| Am. Library Assn.                               | "      | 5.00  |
| Indiana Historical Society.                     | "      | 3.00  |
| Sda Milliken Sundries Nov. 28-41- to date.      |        | 8.16  |
| Mrs. Maggie Huston. Magazine Renewals for 1942. |        | 94.50 |

Gregory Boxes. for recovering typewriter card plates to be delivered this week. 45.00.

Moved by Mr. Bruce and seconded by Mr. Arnott that the insurance on the building be increased by \$8000. Carried.

The appraisal of the building was done by Jan. 17. - Mr. Huston and his bill for services was \$2.00 which was allowed by the board.

Appraised as follows: Brickwork \$4500  
First Floor - \$14500. Basement \$2500  
Roofing 500. Millwork \$3500 Plastering \$1500  
Painting & Decorating \$3000. Total \$30000.

Letter of Mrs. (E.D.) Mary Jane Sweeney was read by the Secretary and ordered spread on the minutes, for future reference in regard to the crayon picture - copy of Rosa Bonheur's "Horse Fair." by Mrs. H. J. Brown.



Letter -

My Dear Mrs. Chapman:

Through you, I am writing to the Library Board.

As you know my father expressed a desire to have his copy of Rosa Bonheur's "Horse Fair" done in crayon by my mother, to the library.

We felt that in that place, it would continue to be seen and appreciated by more people, and perhaps, might inspire others to artistic endeavor.

Your acceptance of the picture is very much appreciated by me.

Should the Board ever feel that the picture occupies space needed for other things, or for any reason decide to remove the "Horse Fair", I would like to be notified, and will make arrangements for hanging it elsewhere.

It is very dear to my heart and I want to keep track of it, always.

Sincerely,

Mrs. (E. D.) Mary Jane Brown Sweeney,  
3925 Garden Ave.

Western Springs, Ill. Feb. 19, 1941

President Edson Murray, appointed the following Committees.

| Books.      | House.        | Supplies.     |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Mrs. Ross.  | Mrs. Hopkins. | Mr. Bruce.    |
| " Chapman.  | Mr. Arnott.   | Mrs. Deau.    |
| Miss Merry. | Mrs. Allman.  | Mrs. Chapman. |

Historical Com. Miss Merry. Mrs. Allman, Mrs. Deau.

On motion by Mrs. Ross + Mr. Bruce, the House Com. was to investigate the Lighting of the Building.

(over)



Miss Hazel Warren wrote to our Librarian asking for us to have the District meeting this spring + suggested May 22nd.

No further business. meeting adjourned.

Blanche W. Chapman. Secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.



May 7 - 1942.

The Library Board met in the Librarian's office with the following members present: Edson Murray, Mrs. Ross, Hopkins, Dean, Allman, Mr. Bruce, Miss Werringer Chapman. The minutes of February 25th. were read. + approved.

The following bills were read and on motion were allowed + ordered paid:-

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Hehn + Hoth Books.                 | 27.33   |
| Frank + Wagnall. "                 | 5.30    |
| Feudig Drug Store "                | 187.65- |
| P. F. Collier + Son "              | 34.20   |
| Ida Milliken Sundries to date.     | 8.68    |
| Callahan + Kainer Coal @ \$8.25    | 274.81  |
| Ralph Donnelly, Lock, Key + Labor. | 6.82    |
| Hammond Ins. Agency. \$2000        | 27.50   |
| Wm Woodworth. \$1000               | 11.46   |
| Delco. Loan. \$1000                | 6.80.   |
| E. M. La Rue. \$1000               | 11.86.  |
| A. H. Hopkins. \$1000              | 4.80    |

60721

Librarian reported that the District Meeting would be held on the 21st. of May, Morning session to be in our Library on the main floor + afternoon session at the St. Joseph College. Luncheon to be at noon in Presbyterian Church. -

Meeting adjourned.

Blanchet L. Chapman, Secy.

P.S. Luncheon was changed from Presbyterian to Methodist Church. and 85 were served + 100 persons attended the meetings.

J. E. Murray, Pres.



Page  
Blank



Wednesday June 16, 1942.

President Edson Murray called a meeting to transact business of the Library. with the following members present: Edson Murray, Mrs. Ora T. Ross, Miss Mery, Mrs. Allman, Mrs. Hopkins & Mrs. Chapman.

Minutes of May 7th were read & approved.

The following bills were allowed & ordered paid on motion by Mrs. Ross. & seconded by Miss Mery.

|                         |                                  |                  |        |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--------|
| Macmillan Co.           | Books.                           |                  | 1.36   |
| Hehn & Roth             | "                                |                  | 4.75   |
| Buckley Cardy Co.       | Book.                            |                  | .75    |
| Eva Moore               | Insurance.                       | 27 <sup>50</sup> | 27.50  |
| Kegor Co.               | Flags.                           |                  | 18.71  |
| Eda Milliken            | Sundries from May 5 date.        |                  | 5.68   |
| Hilliard Elec. Service. | Lights & Fixtures.               |                  | 403.90 |
| Fendig Drug Store.      | Invic. Book. & Note book filler. |                  | 3.33   |
| H. W. Wilson Co.        | Subscription.                    | 39.40            | 39.40  |
| Hehn & Roth             | Books.                           | 14.90            | 14.90  |

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Bank Balance June 1st. | 1029.29      |
| Expenses June          | 167.11       |
|                        | <hr/> 882.18 |

June draw 2332.90.



July 29, 1942.

Library Board met with the following members present:

Mr. Bruce, Edson Murray, Ora Ross, Ethel Allman, Martha Hopkins. Blanche Chapman Vera Dean, Miss Merry.

Minutes of June 16. read & approved. & or

Bills as follows were allowed and ordered paid:- Mrs. Hopkins & Miss Merry. made motion.

|                                  |                            |               |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| A. E. Boyce & Co.                | Budget forms               | 1.08          |
| Hahn & Hahn                      | Books.                     | 3.15-         |
| C. L. Murphy                     | Insurance \$1000           | 7.18          |
| Ivan J. Carlson                  | Assessment. Street & Carb. | 45.00         |
| Gaylord Bros.                    | Supplies                   | 15.30         |
| Fondig Drug Store                | Books                      | 214.74        |
| Floyd Meyers.                    | Insurance \$2000           | 27.50         |
| Interstate printers & publishers | Bundy Books.               | 1.65          |
| Hopkins & Hopkins.               | Insurance \$1000.          | 63.75         |
|                                  |                            | <u>379.86</u> |

Two questions were brought up for discussion.

Phonograph records. to be sent to campo. & Calking of doors & windows. Nothing decided. Motion by Miss Merry & seconded by Mrs. Dean was made that the Relief Committee provide a case for the Milroy Relics. on the South wall. Carried.

Motion to raise the salaries of the Librarian to \$90 the Assistant Librarian to \$70 & Janitor to \$25 by Mrs. Allman & Mrs. Ross. carried. This to take effect Jan. 1 - 1943. provided the increased Budget is allowed by the Board. No further business Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.  
E. E. Murray



October 29, 1942.

The following members of the Library Board met in the Librarian's office: Edson Murray, Carl T. Ross, Esther Allman, Miss Merry, Verna Dean, Martha Hopkins, + Blanche L. Chapman.

Minutes of July 29th.

was read and approved.

Bills as follows were allowed and ordered paid.

|                       |                                  |       |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| Jasper Co. Democrat.  | Subscription                     | 2.00  |
| Russell Republican    | "                                | 1.50  |
| Fendig's Rexall Store | Books                            | 66.78 |
| Remington Rand.       | General Supplies                 | 5.90. |
| J. S. Lippincott Co.  | Book for Mr. Bundy.              | 5.55  |
| Ida Milliken          | Supplies from June 18 - to date. | 10.99 |
|                       | Total                            | 92.72 |

Mrs. Dean reported on case for the Milroy Relics. and discussion resulted in the committee to look for a counter to hold them for the present.

Motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Allman + Miss Merry.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.  
E. E. Murray, Pres.



Feb 18. 1943.

Library Board met at 5 P.M. with the following members present:

G. E. Murray, J. Ross, Mrs. Orla Dean,  
Mrs. A. Hopkins, Harley Bruce & Blanche Murray.  
Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Bill to Fendigs Drug Store of \$329.77 which was paid Dec 31st. was approved and the following bills were allowed: -

|                               |                            |         |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| American Library Assn         | Dec 1943 - 5 <sup>00</sup> | 8.00    |
| Book list 1943                | - 3.00                     |         |
| Indiana Historical Society    | Dec 43 -                   | 3.00    |
| Indiana Library Assn          | " 43 -                     | 1.50    |
| Indiana Library Trustees Assn | " 42 -                     | 2.00    |
| Gaylord Bros. Supplies        | -                          | 7.50    |
| Fendigs Drug Store            | Books 45.73                | - 47.23 |
|                               | Supplies 1.50              |         |
| Maggie Huston                 | Subscriptions 1943-4-      | 110.70  |
| Ida Milliken                  | Dundis from                | 9.42    |
|                               | Oct. 24/42                 |         |
| Mrs. Eva Rawles               | Shroven                    | 35.00   |
| J. A. Grant                   | Moving case                | 2.50    |
| Total                         | -                          | 226.85  |

Blanche Murray Secy, Protem,  
G. E. Murray, Pres



May. 1943.

The Library Board met with the following members present:-

Mr Edson Murray, Chas T. Row, Mr. Arnott, Mrs A. H. Hopkins, Miss Blanche Wemy, Mr. Kenneth Allman & Blanche L. Chapman

Minutes of Feb. 18th. read & approved.

Bills as follows on motion by Fred Arnott and seconded by Mrs Row were read and approved:- and orders drawn for the amounts.

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Geographical Publishing Co. Atlas.     | 13.50  |
| Gaylord Bros. Supplies                 | 7.20   |
| Campbell Printing Co. Book Plates      | 4.75   |
| Funk & Wagnall Books                   | 5.30   |
| Fendig Drug Store. Books.              | 296.19 |
| Ida Milliken Sundries from Feb.        | 8.98   |
| J. W. Callahan - 81360 # Edwight Coal. | 355.95 |
|                                        | 691.87 |

40 tons

No further business after discussion of the repair of the rear entrance of the building, the board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.  
J. E. Murray Pres



Aug 5, 1943.

Library Board met at 4:30 with the following members present:

J. E. Murray, Ora J. Ross, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Allen, Miss Murry, and Fred Arnett. Minutes of May read and approved.

Bills paid on July 31, with approval of Mr. Murray, Mrs. Chapman, Mr. Hopkins, <sup>Mrs. Ross</sup> and Mr. Arnett, by telephone.

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| H. W. Nelson Co. Subscriptions | 39.40 |
| Watson Plumbing Co. Repair     | 2.82  |
| Dean Insurance Agency          | 60.75 |
| C. L. Murphy Ins.              | 72.25 |
| Ida Milliken Insurance (3 mos) | 2.70  |
| Judges Drug Store Books        | 2.23  |

On motion of Mrs. Ross & second Miss Murry 180.15  
Approval of same was voted on. Bill  
was presented -  
- Dr. Boyce - Budget Blanket 2.91.

Motion by Miss Murry & second of Mr. Arnett and this bill was ordered paid.

Discussion of budget followed and the estimate presented by Librarian. A motion made by Mr. Arnett that the budget be increased \$150. for 1944. Making total \$51.76<sup>00</sup> instead of 50.26 - seconded by Miss Murry and motion carried.

After discussion of repairs to chimney, side walk, and shed, - and the presentation of <sup>Simplex</sup> Doane's Agency Agricultural Service, it was moved by Miss Murry and seconded by Mrs. Ross, that the subscription be taken for one year @ 15.00 and ordered paid. Meeting adjourned. Ida Milliken sec. Secy.  
J. E. Murray Pres.



Oct. 4 - 1943

The Library Board met in the office at 5<sup>00</sup> P.M. with the following members present - D.E. Murray, pres. Mrs Ora J. Ross, Mrs Hopkins, Miss Merry and Mrs Allman - the latter by telephone.

Bills were read by Mr Murray: the bill for the chimney was paid to Mr Dalphy Day & papers - A motion was made by Mrs Ross - sec. by Mrs Hopkins that this bill to Mr Day be approved -  
 Aug 23/43. Dalphy Day - 16.14 - Victor Day 11.50. 16.14  
 Leonard Day 11.50 11.50  
 Total. \$39.14

The bills as read by Mr Murray were approved by a motion offered by Mrs Hopkins and seconded by Mrs Ross,

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Fendley Drug Store - Books.        | 56.35  |
| Regular Republican Subscription    | 1.50.  |
| Paper Co. Democrat "               | 2.00   |
| J. D. Holcomb Co. Floor Dressing   | 5.95.  |
| Wells & Nott - Books.              | 12.32  |
| Indiana State Lib. Institute Aug 2 | 200.   |
| O E. Zaltert & Son. Books & notes. | 46.5   |
| Cooper Bookery Co -                | 60.00  |
| Total                              | 144.77 |

Meeting adjourned.

Blanche Merry  
 Acting Sec<sup>y</sup>  
 D.E. Murray Pres



Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>. 1943.

The Library Board met in the office at 5 P. M. with the following members present: - Mr. Murray president, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Allman, Mrs. Chapman and Miss Merry counted as present.

The following bills were read

|                                                                           |               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Hehn & Holt Books. 27.15 Binding 33 <sup>57</sup>                         | = 60.72       |
| Fendig's Drug Store. Books 233.04 Supplies .90                            | 233.94        |
| M. C. Millman Co. Books.                                                  | 9.66          |
| Am. Lib. Assn. Subscription Book list.                                    | 3.00          |
| H. W. Wilson Co. Current Biography 1940-41.                               | 10.00         |
| " " " " " " 1942.                                                         | 5.00          |
| J. A. Grant & Son. Moving Case upstairs.                                  | 1.50          |
| Ida Milliken - Tribune 4 mo. 3 <sup>60</sup> Supplies Moss <sup>432</sup> | 4.03          |
|                                                                           | <u>327.85</u> |

motion by Mrs. Allman, seconded by Mrs. Ross that bills be allowed and orders drawn for the same in payment.

No further business the Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.  
D. E. Murray Pres.



March

March 3 - 1944

Board met at 4 P.M. in office with following members present, Edson Murray, Pres. Mrs. Ora J. Ross, Mrs. A. N. Hopkins, Mrs. Delos Dean, and Bruce, Mrs. Kenneth Allman. Miss Mary minutes of Dec. 30, 1943 were read & approved. The following bill were read, & approved, on motion by Mrs. Ross and Mr. Bruce, and ordered paid.

|                                                |              |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Maggie R. Huston - Magazine Subscriptions.     | 98.98        |
| Quarrier Corporation. World Books.             | 92.68        |
| Fendig Drug Store. Books.                      | 87.88        |
| Macmillan Co. Books.                           | 2.09.        |
| Indiana Library Assn. Dues. 1944               | 1.50         |
| Ind. Historical Society. Dues. & Subscription. | 3.00         |
| Gaylord Bros. Supplies.                        | 4.30         |
| American Library Assn. dues 1944               | 5.00         |
|                                                | <hr/> 295.43 |

The board extended a vote of thanks to the Historical Com. for its excellent work in securing a case for the Milroy Relics and the arrangement of the same in the case. In this they were ably assisted by the Librarian, Miss Milliken. Miss Mary was asked to prepare an article for the papers, calling the attention of the public to the collection, and its connection with the history of our county.

No further business, the board adjourned.  
 Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.  
 H. E. Murray, Pres.



May. 26<sup>th</sup>. 1944

Library Board met at 7.30 P. M. with  
Mrs. Fra Ross presiding and Mrs. A. N. Hopkins,  
Miss Merry, Mr. Arnott, Bruce & Mrs.  
Blanche Chapman present.

Minutes of March 30 were read and  
approved.

Bills as follows were read & on motion of  
Mrs. Hopkins & seconded by Mr. Bruce  
were allowed and ordered paid.

|                      |                             |         |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| Mrs. Mullan Co.      | Books.                      | 18. 11  |
| A. N. Marquis Co.    | Books.                      | 17. 50  |
| Funk & Wagnall       | Book.                       | 5. 30   |
| Chas. Scribner Sons. | Book.                       | 12. 50  |
| Electric Service Co. | Lights & Starters           | 16. 20  |
| A. E. Boyer Co.      | Paid Blanks.                | . 84    |
| Frost's Drug Store   | Books 166.42 Supplies 1.63  | 168. 05 |
| Eda Mulliken         | Supplies 1.92. Repair 1.00  |         |
| " "                  | Postage 56¢ Equipment 5.92. | 9.40    |
|                      |                             | 247.40  |

Mr. Bruce reported he had received bids from  
two firms as follows:-

Talbert Lumber Co. West Virginia Lump @ 9.25 a ton  
delivered.

Thomas Callahan 25 tons of Cinderella Lump  
or Egg @ 8.25 a ton.

25 tons of Glenn Rodger Lump. (Pocahontas)  
@ 10<sup>00</sup> a ton.

After discussion, Mr. Arnott made a  
motion that we accept the bid of  
Callahan for Glenn Rodger Lump. @  
10<sup>00</sup> per ton. Seconded by Mrs. Hopkins  
motion carried.

Committee was instructed to have new  
cement walk laid in front of the  
Library.



Since the stores are closing Thursday afternoons, it was decided to advertise & acquaint the public that the library would close on Thursday P. M. during the months of June, July and August. Motion to that effect was made by Mrs. Hopkins & seconded by Mr. Annett.

The Janitor, Mr. Edd Moore was requested to trim the hedges and employ the necessary help. Motion by Mrs. Chapman & seconded by Mrs. Hopkins.

Mrs. Hopkins was asked to write a letter to Mr. Adis sister, Mrs. McCray, expressing the appreciation of our Library Board for his many courtesies.

No. further business, board adjourned.  
 Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.  
 Orr T. Post, P.

Order # 33. to State Bank April 20, for check book & approved by Mr. Edson Murray for 3.83. should be added to the other bills.



July 28<sup>th</sup>. 1944,

The Library Board met in the office, at 5 P. M. with the following members present: - Edson Murray, Pres.

Mrs. Ora S. Ross, Mrs. Henthall Allman, Mr. Arnott, and Mrs. Blanche Chapman.

The minutes of May 26<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

The following bills were read,

|                                                           |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Lis Mera Agency - Chicago Tribune Jan to Jan. 1945        | 10.80  |
| H. W. Wilson Co. Subscriptions                            | 40.40  |
| Heskman Co. Books.                                        | 21.77  |
| Kehr & Hoth Binding Books.                                | 21.15  |
| A. E. Boyce Co. Budget Blanks.                            | 2.09   |
| Fendig Bros. Books 16 <sup>94</sup> Paint 2 <sup>00</sup> | 19.79  |
| McMillan Co. Books.                                       | 2.07   |
| E. M. LaRue - Insurance.                                  | 60.75  |
| William Woodworth Insurance                               | 66.50  |
| Edd Moore - Painting Rear Entrance.                       | 3.50   |
|                                                           | 249.32 |

|                                                                              |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| June 24 Mr. H. Platt. Cement Work <sup>Foundation</sup>                      | 30.49 |
| " " Mr. H. Platt. Cement Work on <sup>Carpenter Work,</sup> Library Entrance | 68.00 |
| Harry Watson. Repairs.                                                       | 1.50  |

Mrs. Ross moved & Mrs. Allman seconded that the bills be allowed and orders drawn for the same. Carried.

Board decided to renew subscription for Doane's Agriculture Service for a year.

After a discussion for a few minutes the Budget. the Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.  
E. E. Murray Pres.

Balance in Bank. 444.40, 40



October 27. 1944.

Library Board met at 5 P. M. with the following members present.  
 Cdeon Murray, Pres., Mrs. H. Allman, Miss Merry, Mr. Bruce, Mrs. A. H. Hoffius. Mrs. Ross.  
 + Blanche L. Chapman.

The minutes of July 28th. were read. and approved.

Bills as follows were read :-

|                                          |                  |         |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Callahan + Orson <sup>@10.00</sup> Call. | Coal. 60 @ 30th. | 304.15- |
| Watson Plumbing Co.                      |                  | 4.44    |
| Reuscler Republican Subscription.        |                  | 2.00    |
| Ind. Library Trustees Assn. dues.        |                  | 2.00    |
| Fendig's Drug Store. Books.              | 163.12           |         |
| " " " House Materials                    | 9.54             |         |
| Supplies                                 | 2.95-            |         |
| Total.                                   |                  | 175.61  |
| Jas. Co. Democrat subscription           |                  | 488.20  |
|                                          |                  | 2.00    |
|                                          |                  | 490.20  |

Moved by Mr. Bruce + seconded by Mrs. Ross, that the bills be allowed - carried.

Mr. Murray reported that he appeared before the Tax Board and that our budget was approved.

House Com. were to investigate a light being placed outside the building.

No further business. Board adjourned.  
 Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.



March. 9. 1945.

Library Board with the following members.

met at the office of the Librarian:-  
Edson Murray, Pres., Mrs. Ora T. Ross, A. H. Hopkins  
Delos Drake, Kenneth Allman, Chapman  
and Meis Merry.

Bills as follows were read, allowed and  
ordered paid.

|                                        |               |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|
| Am. Library Assoc. dues. 1945.         | 5.00          |
| Ind. Historical Society dues + sub.    | 3             |
| Ind. Library Assn. dues.               | 1.50          |
| Hammond Ins. Agency. Ins.              | 25.48         |
| H. W. Wilson Co. Books                 | 12.           |
| Campbell Printing Co. Supplies.        | 4.75          |
| Maggie R. H. Flux. Magazines 45-46.    | 99.65         |
| Electric Service Co. Tubes & Starters. | 8.82          |
| Margaret Palus. D.A.R. records. Bound. | 7.            |
| Fendly's Drug Store. Books.            | 89.08         |
| " " Office supplies.                   | .50           |
| Rep.                                   | .35           |
| Ida Milliken Office Supplies.          | 25            |
| " " " "                                | .49           |
| " " Postage                            | 1.00          |
| Equipment.                             | 1.25          |
| Subscription Hobbies.                  | 2.50          |
|                                        | 5.49          |
| <b>Total.</b>                          | <b>262.62</b> |

The bills paid on Dec. 29th. 1944. & approved  
by phone by Mr. Murray, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Ross  
Mrs. Chapman, & Mrs. Allman. were allowed  
by the Board at this meeting. were as follows:-

|                                       |        |                      |       |
|---------------------------------------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| Westman Bindery.                      | 4.40   | Electric Service Co. | 4.70  |
| Gaylord Bros.                         | 34.13  | Minnette Book Co.    | 15.95 |
| Edd Moss.                             | 16.    |                      |       |
| Fendly Drug Store.                    | 156.51 |                      |       |
| Ida Milliken Standard                 | 2.38   |                      |       |
| Am. Library Subscription. (Book List) | 3.00   |                      |       |



A motion by Mrs. A. H. Hopkins + seconded by Miss McCoy to increase the salaries of the Librarian + Asst. Librarian to take effect as of Jan. 1-1945. to be 125<sup>00</sup> and 100<sup>00</sup> - carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ross + seconded by Mrs. Dean that \$60 be allowed for a summer assistant for the Librarian. carried.

No further business, Mrs. Allman moved we adjourn.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.

June 29th. 1945;

In regard to increasing the salaries of the Librarian and Assistant Librarian Board found that the Budget made in August 1944 did not provide for it.

The City Attorney W. A. Somers attended the Board meeting of June 29th. and advised that the increase in salaries voted + approved on March 9 could be paid and same taken care of by a resolution transferring money from one fund to another when an emergency arises or by additional appropriations according to laws of the state of Indiana, governing taxing sub-division.

Back Salary for 5 mos. @ \$35 = \$175 for Miss Milliken.

" " 5 mos. @ 30 = 150 " Mrs. Etha Hemphill.

Withholding tax Ida Milliken \$26.40 Check for 148<sup>60</sup> = \$175

" " Mrs. Hemphill 21.50 " " 128<sup>50</sup> = 150

From July 1-45. Withholding tax

Miss Milliken 16.50 Check 108.50 = \$125

Mrs. Hemphill 10.70 " 89.30 = 100

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.  
L. E. Murray Pres.



# Notice to Taxpayers of Tax Levies

In the matter of determining the Tax Rates for certain purposes by Rensselaer Indiana. Before the Common Council.

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of

## RENSELAER CIVIL CITY

JASPER COUNTY, INDIANA

that the proper legal officers of said municipality, at the regular meeting place on the 27th day of August, 1945, will consider the following budget:

### BUDGET CLASSIFICATION FOR CITIES.

#### GENERAL FUND

##### Mayor's Office.

|                                        |             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Personal Service                       | \$ 600.00   |
| City Clerk-Treasurer's Office.         |             |
| Personal Services                      | 900.00      |
| Contractual Service                    | 100.00      |
| Supplies                               | 190.00      |
| Material                               | 12.50       |
| Common Council                         |             |
| Personal Service                       | \$ 450.00   |
| Department of Law                      |             |
| Personal Service                       | \$ 400.00   |
| Department of Public Works and Safety. |             |
| Personal Service                       | \$15,190.00 |
| Contractual Service                    | 5,790.00    |
| Supplies                               | 1,525.00    |
| Material                               | 9,600.00    |
| Current Charges                        | 1,261.00    |
| Properties                             | 2,500.00    |

#### Department of Library.

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Personal Service    | \$ 3,100.00 |
| Contractual Service | 696.00      |
| Supplies            | 460.00      |
| Material            | 206.00      |
| Current Charges     | 175.00      |
| Properties          | 2,025.00    |

#### Department of Parks.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Personal Service    | 900.00   |
| Contractual Service | 1,000.00 |
| Material            | 700.00   |

#### Department of Health and Charities.

|                  |           |
|------------------|-----------|
| Personal Service | \$ 120.00 |
| Supplies         | 75.00     |

### ESTIMATE OF FUNDS TO BE RAISED.

#### Funds Required for Expenses

August 1, present year, to December 31, 1945.

1. Total Budget Estimate for Incoming Year
2. Necessary Expenditures to be made from Appropriations Unexpended July 31, of present year
5. Total Funds Required (Add Lines 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Funds on Hand and to be Received from Sources Other than the Proposed Rate of Tax Levy:

6. Actual Balance, July 31, present year
7. Taxes to be Collected, present year (December Settlement)
8. Miscellaneous Revenue, other than from Tax Levy, to be received from August 1 of present year to December 31, of incoming year. (See schedule on file in office of City Controller).

- (a) Special Taxes (see schedules)
- (b) All Other Revenue (see schedules)
9. Total Funds (Add Lines 6, 7, 8a and 8b)
10. Net Amount to be raised for expenses to December 31, of incoming year (deduct line 9 from line 5)
11. Operating Balance (Not in excess of Expense January 1, to June 30, Less Miscellaneous Revenue for same Period)
12. Amount to be raised by Tax Levy

| Corp. Fund | Libr. Fund | Sch. Aid Fund | Park Fund | Fire Dept. Fund |
|------------|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
| \$41373.50 | \$6662.00  | \$1427.00     | \$550.00  | \$1182.00       |
| 17568.44   | 2100.00    |               |           |                 |
| 58881.94   | 8762.00    | 1227.00       | 550.00    | 1282.00         |
| 25730.38   | 4588.09    | 784.59        | 318.85    | 934.28          |
| 12540.12   | 1249.35    | 524.50        | 419.60    | 419.60          |
| 8392.26    | 1940.00    | 51.00         | 40.50     | 40.50           |
| 468.00     | 85.00      |               |           |                 |
| 47140.86   | 7862.44    | 1360.09       | 228.95    | 1394.38         |
| 11741.08   | 899.36     | 67.91         | 228.95    | 112.30          |
| 14227.00   | 2247.11    | 1150.00       | 550.00    | 1182.00         |
| 25969.08   | 3146.47    | 1217.91       | 322.05    | 1069.70         |

### PROPOSED LEVIES.

|                                   |               |                  |                     |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Net Valuation of Taxable Property |               |                  | \$3,147,970.00      |
| Number of Taxable Polls           |               |                  | 338                 |
| FUNDS                             | Levy on Polls | Levy on Property | Amount to Be Raised |
| General                           | \$1.00        | \$ .825          | \$25,969.08         |
| Library                           |               | .10              | 3,146.47            |
| School Aid Bond                   |               | .04              | 1,217.91            |
| Park Bond                         |               | .01              | 322.05              |
| Fire Dept. Bond                   |               | .03              | 1,069.70            |
| Total                             | \$1.00        | \$1.005          | \$31,725.21         |

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF TAXES COLLECTED AND TO BE COLLECTED.

| FUNDS           | Collected 1942 | Collected 1943 | Collected 1944 | To Be Collected 1945 |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| General         | \$25422.85     | \$21529.00     | \$26182.50     | \$30112.96           |
| Library         | 3070.86        | 3188.91        | 3050.57        | 4922.44              |
| School Aid Bond | 1549.38        | 1508.81        | 1533.21        | 1337.28              |
| Park Bond       | 614.16         | 516.42         | 577.11         | 980.00               |
| Fire Dept. Bond | 1172.31        | 1289.05        | 1244.11        | 985.00               |

Taxpayers appearing shall have the right to be heard thereon. After the tax levies have been determined, and presented to the County Auditor not later than two days prior to the second Monday in September, and the levy fixed by the County Tax Adjustment Board, or on their failure so to do, by the County Auditor, ten or more taxpayers feeling themselves aggrieved by such levies may appeal to the State Board of Tax Commissioners for further and final hearing thereon, by filing a petition with the County Auditor not later than October 15, and the State Board will fix a date for hearing in this county.

Dated August 7, 1945.

CONRAD KELLNER.  
Mayor of City of Rensselaer.  
JOHN R. MERRITT,  
Clerk, Treasurer.  
Rensselaer, Indiana.



June 29th. 1945

The following members of the L. Brary,  
Board met in the Librarian's office.  
at 5 P. M.; Mr. Edson Murray, H. E. Bruce,  
Madame Martha Hopkins, Ora T. Ross, Chapman  
and Miss Blanche Merry.

Minutes of last meeting March 9th. were  
read & approved.

Bills read, allowed & ordered paid were: -

|                                        |                                |                |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| H. W. Nelson Co. Books 5 <sup>00</sup> | Subscription 36 <sup>36</sup>  | 41.36          |
| Gilbert Bros. - Load Black Dirt        |                                | 3.09           |
| Lee News Agency                        | Tribune 1945                   | 11.40          |
| Fending Drug Store. Books              | 208.02                         |                |
| House Supplies                         | 1.23                           |                |
| Office "                               | 2.05                           |                |
| Repairs                                | 3.65                           | Totals. 214.95 |
| Floyd Meyer Insurance                  | 26.80                          |                |
| Ida Milliken                           | 6.88 dividends.                | 19.92          |
|                                        | Supplies from March 9 to date. | 3.74           |
| Total Bills.                           |                                | 294.46         |

Mr. Bruce reported that the coal for next  
year was ordered.

Mr. Hopkins moved & Miss Merry seconded,  
that the Librarian be instructed to see  
to having the Library cleaned.

Mrs. Ross moved & Miss Merry seconded, that  
the Board act on the advice of Mr. Somers

(see page 51.) that we pay the salaries to date.

Board adjourned.

Blanche H. Chapman Secy.

H. E. Murray, Pres.



The Following Bills were  
 Allowed - by phoning - and  
 payment ok'd by  
 Mr. Murray Chapin.  
 Mr. Arnold Pro.  
 Mrs. Hopkins

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Galla Lan & Brunsahan - Coal -  | 314.85  |
| Campbell Printing Co - Supples. | 1045    |
| Arthur Hopkins - Insurance -    | 57.18.  |
| Fuchs Drug Store Books.         | 11.73   |
| Supples                         | 50      |
|                                 | <hr/>   |
|                                 | 344.66. |
| Ida Milkken Lib.                |         |



Page  
Blank



Dec. 6. 1945

The Library Board met at 4:30 P. M.  
with the following members present.

Pres. W. Edson Murray, Cras. J. Ross, Martha Hopkins,  
Fred Arnott, Harley Bruce, Esther Allman & Blanche Chapman  
minutes of June 29th. and July 31st.  
were read and approved.

Minutes of August 6th. were not on record.

Bills read and ordered paid were: -

|                                         |                                    |        |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|
| Nation Plumbing Co.                     | Furnace Repair.                    | 31.81  |
| E. W. Hale Co.                          | Books.                             | 20.40  |
| Hickman Bindery                         | Binding Books.                     | 29.58  |
| Jas. Co. Democrat.                      | Subscription.                      | 2.     |
| Edd Moor.                               | Cleaning Auditorium                | 40.    |
| Frontier Press Distributing Co.         | Books.                             | 19.50  |
| Campbell Printing Co.                   | Letter heads                       | 4.35   |
| Ind. Library Trustees Assn.             | Dues                               | 2.     |
| Freddie's Drug Store.                   | Books 301.23. Materials. 3.45      | 304.68 |
| Ida Milliken.                           | Supplies from July 31-45. to date. |        |
| Postage & Cards. 58                     | Electrical Repairs .68             |        |
| Sharpen Lawn Mower. 00                  | Super Suds for Mower. .26          |        |
| World Almanac - book. 1.35              | Blotters .20                       | 4.05   |
| Help during Vacation.                   |                                    | 13.    |
| Mrs. Kimball. 7.00 + Miss Milliken 6.00 |                                    |        |
| Total Bills.                            |                                    | 470.39 |

On motion by Mrs. Ross, seconded by Mr. Arnott.  
the bills were allowed & warrants drawn.

House Committee was ordered to get in communication with Mr. Deedhouse and get an estimate of cost of decorating the library and date, when he could do the work.

Mr. Murray, Arnott & Bruce were to investigate our funds in the City Treasury. & report.

No more business motion to adjourn. carried.

Blanche H. Chapman Secy.

Mrs. Allman agreed to write up the minutes for August 6th.



Jan 2nd - 1946.

The Library Board met at 4 P. M. with Edson Murray, Ora J. Ross, Martha Hopkins, Blanche L. Chapman present, and Mrs. Allman.

Minutes of Dec. 6. 45 were read, approved and allowed - warrants ordered drawn for the amounts. A motion was made by Mrs. Hopkins that on the following holidays - New Year's day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Thanksgiving and Christmas, the Library be closed. and that a notice to that effect be posted in the entrance of the Library Building.

Bills as follows were read, approved and warrants for same ordered drawn,

|                                                                                   |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| E. M. Hale Co. Books                                                              | 2. 91  |
| Am. Library Assn. Subscription to Book List                                       | 3. 00  |
| Fending Drugg Books 74. 94 Supply 15x                                             | 75. 09 |
| Ida Milliken Equipment 2 <sup>nd</sup> Labor 1 <sup>st</sup> Book 3 <sup>50</sup> | 6. 87  |
| Total Bills.                                                                      | 87. 87 |

Motion by Mrs. Hopkins & seconded by Mrs. Ross, allowed: that the janitor Mr. Edd Moore take the roof repaired, and also that he wash the wood work so it would be ready for the painting of the walls.

The Board through its House Com. published requests for bids for decorating the Library Halls. & specifications to be filed with the Librarian during the week of Dec. 21 to Dec. 31 - 45.

Bid by Mr. Deedham <sup>being only bid received</sup> was to be considered again with him and Mrs. Hopkins.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

E. E. Murray, Pres



April 26, 1946

in the office

The Board of Trustees of the public library met upon call by the secretary, Miss Ida Milliken, at five o'clock April 26, 1946,

The following members were present: Edson Murray, Mrs. Ora T. Ross, Miss Blanche Merry, Mrs. D. Delos Dean, Mrs. Arthur H. Hopkins.

The secretary, Mrs. Blanche L. Chapman, not being present, act and

the chair requested Mrs. Hopkins to read the minutes of last meeting. They were read and approved with one exception - a correction to minutes of Jan., 2, 1946 pertaining to Herman Diedam, decorator, he having neglected to notarize his signature on the contract, which prevented the Board from accepting his bid of \$568.00 for contract on decoration of library. When he came to commence the work, this error was immediately corrected, and the Board met - Mrs. Ross moved the acceptance of the said bid of \$568.00. It was seconded by Miss Merry and unanimously carried and orders drawn for payment on completion of the work.

Mr. Murray presented the bills :

Mrs. Ross moved they be allowed and warrants drawn - seconded by Miss Merry - Carried.

Mrs. Hopkins, chairman of House committee, reported that decoration of library was satisfactorily completed and that payment of \$568.00 had been made to Mr. Diedam for his excellent work.

On motion by Mrs. Hopkins, seconded by Mrs. Ross, the salary of the janitor, Mr. Ed, Moore, was increased from \$25.00 per month to \$35.00 per month, commencing January 1, 1946.

Mrs. Hopkins reported that Ralph Donnelly, requested by the Board to attend to certain repairs on the building, would at his earliest convenience take charge of said work - that he was without sufficient help and will come as soon as possible.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Ross - seconded by Mrs. Hopkins. Carried.

Sec't Pro Tem - Martha E. Hopkins.



April 26, 1946

RENSELAER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RENSELAER, INDIANA

Bills for April, 1948

|                     |           |      |
|---------------------|-----------|------|
| Funk & Wagnalls     | Year Book | 5.30 |
| Doubleday & Company | Books     | 2.80 |

*Letter Certification*

*2 Books - Monmouth School.*

*Helps during librarian's vacation.*

*? Mower \$27.50 We have 3 sets and are -*

*Biographical History. Vol. 1 and 2. To Genealogical Library  
Indianapolis*



April 26, 1946

The following bills were read and ordered paid.

|                         |                                       |        |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Ind. Historical Society | Dues. + Sub.                          | 3.00   |
| Am. Library Assn.       | Dues.                                 | 5.00   |
| Ind. " "                | "                                     | 1.50   |
| Beckley Candy Co.       | Books.                                | 12.39  |
| Jas. Co. Democrat.      | Advertising                           | .80    |
| Macmillan Co.           | Books                                 | 7.43   |
| Fendig Drug Store.      | Books 175.85. Supplies <sup>2.3</sup> | 178.19 |
| Talbot & S. Lumber Co.  | Repair Screens.                       | 8.42   |
| Campbell Printing Co.   | Envelopes.                            | 5.20   |
| Dean Rockwell Co.       | Garden Hoses.                         | 4.95   |
| Ed Moore.               | House Supplies                        | 3.88   |
| Electric Service Co.    | Fluorescent lamps.                    | 3.06   |
| Leis News Agency.       | 1946-47. Magazine Subscription        | 93.00  |
|                         | Total.                                | 326.87 |



# RENSSELAER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Insurance in force July 31, 1946

|                       | Due        | PrPd       | Amt.  | Cover | Pol #     | Co.               |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------------|
| Wm. Woodworth         | Aug. 6/47  | July 30/44 | 66.50 | 4000  | 70226     | Ohio Farmers      |
| E. La Rue             | Sept/12/47 | " /44      | 60.75 | 4000  | 39845     | London Ass ur &   |
| M. Hammond            | Feb. 26/48 | /45        | 25.48 | 2000  | 943504    | Norwich Union     |
| Arthur Hopkins        | July 29/48 | " /45      | 57.13 | 4000  | 2773      | N.H. Fire Ins. Co |
| Floyd Meyers          | June 21/48 | " /45      | 26.80 | 2000  | -25F16821 | Ind. Un. Mut.     |
| C. L. Murphy          | July 29/49 | " 30/46    | 69.36 | 4000  | 154       | Milwaukee Mech.   |
| Dean Insurance Agcy " | 29/46      | " 30/46    | 60.75 | 4000  | 234235    | American Ins. Co  |
| Total                 |            |            |       | 24000 |           |                   |



June 27th. 1946.  
 Librarian called a meeting of the Board  
 for 4 P. M. and the following members  
 were present: Miss Merry, Edson Murray,  
 Ora I. Ross. Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Mr. Bruce & Mrs.  
 Blanche L. Chapman.

The minutes of April 26.

The following bills were read.

|                                         |        |
|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| Hayford Bros. Supplies.                 | 22.70. |
| Hagwood Publishing Co. Budgett Blauke.  | .70    |
| N. W. Nelson Co. Subscriptions.         | 36.36  |
| Fundis Drug Store. Books                | 126.35 |
| Funk & Wagnall Books.                   | 5.30   |
| Lee's News Agency. Tribune 1 yr.        | 11.40  |
| Edw. Milliken Sundries Dec. 45 to date. | 1.67.  |
| Postage & Cards.                        | .93    |
| Paper & Carbon                          | .20    |
| T. Paper & Torks.                       | .39    |
| Oil for Mr. Moore.                      | .16-   |
| Total                                   | 204.48 |

Motion to allow the bills made by Miss Merry &  
 seconded by Mr. Bruce. Carried.

Budget was discussed and Mr. Bruce  
 was asked to investigate the condition of  
 the furnace and whether oil burners  
 were available. & report at next meeting.  
 No further business board adjourned on  
 motion by Mrs. Ross & Mr. Bruce.  
 Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

D. E. Murray, Pres.



10 a. m.

August 6. 1946-

The Board met at the Library with  
Edson Murray, Ora J. Ross, Martha Hopkins,  
Verna Dean, Harley Bruce & Ester Allman.  
present.

Bills were ordered paid on motion of Mrs.  
Ross & Mr. Bruce.

It was asked that the former salary of the  
Librarian be included in the March 9th.  
minutes.

In the decoration of the Library - Mrs. Allman  
was to investigate prices of ceiling board.  
Mrs. Hopkins was to contact Mr. Doudham.  
and get estimates.

On motion the janitor was to paint the roof.  
The budget was accepted as prepared by  
Miss McLibren.

Mrs. Ross & Mrs. Dean, moved that the subscrip-  
tion to the Market Digest be continued.

Mrs. Dean was asked to rearrange the  
Library Auditorium.

Mrs. Allman, Secy Protem.

D. E. Murray, Pres.

Bills paid August 3-1946. and allowed August 6-46

Fendig Drug Store - Books. 48.65

Bruce Publishing Co. 3.33

Bills approved for payment

July 30, 1946

|                                |               |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Talbert & Schaab... Kumber     | 8.65          |
| Dean Insurance Agcy Ins...     | 60.75         |
| C.L. Murphy "                  | 69.36         |
| Hehn & Hoth binding bo ks      | 46.48         |
| Victor Moors labor on coal bin | 9.00          |
| Ken Ford floor mat             | 2.50          |
| Fendis Drug Store books        | 5.96          |
| Americana Corp'n: Encyclopedia | 129.50        |
|                                | <u>332.20</u> |

Mrs. Hopkins.  
Chapman  
Ross.  
Murray

To be recorded at  
next meeting of Board



Friday Aug. 23<sup>d</sup>. 1946.

The following members of the Board met in the office. Pres. Edson Murray, Verna Dean, Martha Hopkins, Blanche Merry, Ora I. Ross, Harley Bruce & Esther Allman. Mr. Bruce reported that Mr. H. Watson said the boiler of the furnace was in good condition & gratis could be fixed & on motion by Bruce & Ross, the Board decided to continue the use of the furnace & present heating system. The Budget was discussed & on motion by Ross & Bruce was accepted in its entirety. \$7188.

Proposition of changing the Insurance was laid on the table & to be discussed at next meeting.

Mr. Edson Murray read a letter from Mrs. Milliken from Bridgewater, Mass. in which she asked to be released from her position as Librarian.

It was with deep regret that the Board voted to accept her resignation as requested.

On motion by Esther Allman & seconded by Verna Dean, Mrs. Etta Hemphill was to be promoted to acting Librarian. Carried. Mrs. Dean moved & Mrs. Hopkins seconded that her salary be \$1500, the same as Mrs. Milliken received.

Mrs. Hemphill was informed of the action of the Board and accepted the appointment. Bill for books amounting to \$57.98 were purchased and allowed.

The board then gave Mrs. Milliken a rising vote of thanks for her long years of faithful & efficient service.

Mrs. Hopkins was asked to write her a letter expressing our regrets and appreciation of her services.



Meeting was closed.

Mrs. Allman, Secy. Postm.

F. E. Murray, Pres.

Letter of Miss Milliken.

West View Farm, Bridgewater Conn.

August 16. 46.

My Dear Mr. Murray:-

I am writing to notify you and the Trustees of the Library Board that I wish to be relieved of the position as Librarian as soon as it is possible to make adjustments.

It is with regret that I have made this decision but I feel that it is time for me to retire from active work.

I deeply appreciate the cooperation of the Board of Trustees all these years - and the consideration shown me.

I shall always be glad to help - in any way I can to make the situation less difficult while the change is being made.

Sincerely yours.

Ida Milliken.



November. 6th. 1946.

The Library Board met at 5 P. M. with the following members present:-

Mrs. Edson Murray, Mrs. S. Ross, Martha Hopkins, Esther Allman and Blanche L. Chapman.

Minutes of August 23d. were read and approved. and Secretary requested to add to the minutes that the Board on motion of Mrs. Ross + Allman approve + accept the selection by Mrs. Humphill of Mrs. Mary Ellen Fiske to assist her in the work of the library; and the salary to be \$1.00 a month.

Motion by Mrs. Hopkins + Mrs. Ross. that the following bills be allowed + ordered paid: viz -

|                             |                     |    |     |    |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----|-----|----|
| Electric Service            | Fluorescent Lamps - | \$ | 6   | 48 |
| Gaylord Bros Inc.           | Office Supplies.    |    | 5   | 15 |
| Esthiman's Modern Electric. | Repairs             |    | 7   | 57 |
| Remington Rand Inc.         | Office Supplies     |    | 10  | 60 |
| Campbell Printing Co        | Book. Plates Labels |    | 5   | 25 |
| Humble Book Co              | Books.              |    | 20  | 30 |
| Fuding Drug Co.             | Books.              |    | 143 | 41 |
| Ida Milliken                | Supplies.           |    | 6   | 38 |
| Callahan Bros Mahan         | 78390# Coal @ \$10  |    | 365 | 38 |
| Etta Humphill               | Supplies            |    | 16  | 88 |
| Int. Library Trustees Assn. | Dues.               |    | 2   | 00 |
| Total.                      |                     |    | 589 | 40 |

Motion by Ross + Hopkins that the Janitor, Mr. Edd Moon.

be requested to clean the Balcony Room.

Secretary was requested to write the State Library Board of the resignation of the Librarian, Miss Milliken on August 16. 1946. and its acceptance and the appointment of Mrs. Etta Humphill as Librarian. Also to place a notice in the local papers.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Bills paid December 30<sup>th</sup> 1946. and  
 approved February 24<sup>th</sup> 1947. on motion  
 by Mrs. Hopkins & seconded by Mrs. Ross.

|                           |                           |              |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Freudig Drug Store        | Books                     | 223.16       |
| John Hudson.              | Weatherstripping          | 2.50         |
| Edd Moore                 | Labor-painting & cleaning | 84.          |
| Remmler Lumber Co.        | Window glass              | 1.50         |
| Chas. E. Merrill Co. Inc. | Book                      | 3.10         |
| Warner Hardware           | Electric Supplies         | 2.98         |
| J. I. Holcomb Co.         | Janitor Supplies          | 11.25        |
| Gas. Co. Democrat.        | Subscription              | 2.00         |
| Estleman Electric Co.     | Repairs                   | 3.85         |
| Am. Library Assn.         | Subscription book list    | 3.00         |
| Elta Humphill             | Supplies                  | 3.75         |
| Nelson Plumbing Co.       | Furnace Repairs           | 33.75        |
|                           |                           | <hr/> 374.84 |



February 24th. 1947

Library Board met at 4.30 P.M. with the following members present; -  
Edmont Murray, Pres., Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Dean  
and Ralph B. Amoler.

On motion by Mrs. Ross + seconded by Mrs. Hopkins the following bill was allowed and ordered paid.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| A. L. A. dues.                       | 5.00    |
| Michael Plumbing Co. furnace repair. | 1.65-   |
| W. H. Wilson Current Biography.      | 5.00    |
| Hayford Bros. Inc. Office Supplies.  | 29.95-  |
| Beaver News Agency. Magazine         | 90.35-  |
| Fendig Drug Store. Books.            | 212.75- |
| Elta Hemphill. Sundries.             | 7.33    |
| Total.                               | 352.03  |

Amoler + Ross moved and board approved giving a copy of the book; - History of Warren, Benton, Jasper and Newton. to Mrs Raymond Paulus, to present to Daughter of the Am. Revolution Library in Memorial Continental Hall, Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Hemphill was to make inquiry if the Ark. Neurological Library had a copy of the same. + report at the next meeting.

Mrs. Dean, Secy Protem. by  
Blanche A. Chapman Secy.  
J. E. Murray, Pres.





## National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Library

Has received

"Counties of Warren, Benton, Jasper and Newton, Indiana."  
1883.

### A Gift

From Rensselaer Public Library through Indiana C.A.R.

For which I have the honour to return a grateful acknowledgment.

*Mabel J. Smith*  
(Mrs. Frederick Glazier Smith)  
Librarian General

MEMORIAL CONTINENTAL HALL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 25, 19 47.

Ed + the iron railing painted again.  
motion to adjourn was then acted upon.  
Blaylock to Chapman, Secy.  
D. E. Murray, Pres.



April 29th. 1947.

The following members of the Library Board met in the office at 4:30 P. M. with the following members present: Pres. Elton Murray, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Dean, Mr. Chapman.

minutes of Feb 24th were read & approved.

Bills read & on motion by Mrs. Ross & seconded by Mrs. Hopkins ordered paid; were as follows: -

|                         |                                         |        |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------|
| B. F. Fendig Drug Store | books & supplies                        | 230.99 |
| W. J. Jensen            | (cleaning & repairing clock)            | 7.50   |
| S. P. Hilliard          | light tubes                             | 6.48   |
| R. Dykema               | iron railing & installation             | 64.01  |
| A. H. Marguis Co.       | books                                   | 11.56  |
| Double day & Co. Inc.   | books                                   | 7.00   |
| Edd Moberg              | for helper Floyd Riley - trimming trees | 8.00   |
| Total                   |                                         | 336.54 |
| Funk & Wagnall Co.      | New International 1947 year book.       | 3.30   |
|                         |                                         | 340.84 |

Letter from Mabel J. Smith, Librarian General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, thanking the Library Board for the copy of the History of Warren, Benton, Jasper & Newton County (1883) which the Society received March 25th. 1947, was read by the Secretary.

Mrs. Humphrell reported that the Indiana Genealogical Society did not need the History of Warren, Benton, Jasper and Newton Counties.

Board voted to give a copy of the Indiana Historical Atlas 1876. as requested by Mrs. Raymond Paulus. to the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution Library. Moved by Mrs. Dean & supported by Mrs. Hopkins that we purchase coal for the coming year. Moved by Mrs. Dean & Mrs. Hopkins that the House Committee have the outside woodwork & roof painted & the iron railing painted again. Motion to adjourn was then acted upon.

Blaise L. Chapman, Secy.

E. E. Murray, Pres.



May 28th. 1947.

The Librarian called the Board together to consider the New Library Law & Public Employees Retirement Fund which were discussed at the Library Meeting held at Hyland Sud on May 15th. and other business of the Library.

Present at this meeting were Pres. Edron Murray, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Allman, Ralph Amos.

The minutes of April 29th. were read & approved.

Bills allowed and ordered paid by the Board were:

|                                                                         |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Sending Drug Store.                                                     | 60. 98  |
| Crocker Roofing Co. Coating Roof & Flashings <sup>labor</sup>           | 60. 00  |
| Warner Hardware Woods' 17 Light Bulbs 52¢ each                          | 7. 19   |
| Michael Plumbing & Heating - Repair Plumbing.                           | 8. 25   |
| Etta Humphreys - Sewer                                                  | 4. 60   |
| Mrs. Ross moved & Mrs. Hopkins seconded that bills be allowed and paid. | 141. 02 |

Letter of R. L. Paulus, stating he would like to donate books to the Library in memory of friends who pass on instead of floral offerings; and that he had in mind books which would range in price from \$5 to \$15. The only stipulation to his offer is that a short commemoration for the person, be placed in the front fly-leaf. Donor's name not to appear. Board accepted Mr. Paulus plan and will have a suitable book plate for the gift.

Mr. Amos reported that he had arranged to buy Pocahontas Coal from Brasnaham to be delivered within 30 days.

Motion by Mrs. Ross & seconded by Mrs. Allman that the Board change the insurance on the Building to 200¢ co-insurance, estimating the value of the building \$40000 and insuring it for \$32000. Carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ross & seconded by Mrs. Hopkins



that the Secretary write for the blanks  
for the Survey for the Retirement Fund.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.

G. E. Murray, Treas

June 30, 1947

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Balance            | \$ 3825.13     |
| Fines              | 93.00          |
| City & Township    | <u>3026.11</u> |
|                    | 6944.24        |
| Disbursements      | <u>2759.04</u> |
|                    | 4185.20        |
| Outstanding checks | <u>82.52</u>   |
| Bank balance       | 4267.72        |



July 16, 1947,

The Library Board met at the call of the Librarian to consider purchase of a new furnace and transact any other business that was brought before the Board.

Members present were: Edson Murray Pres., Mrs. Ora Ross Vice Pres., Mrs. Allman, Mr. Amster, and Mr. Hopkins.

The following bills were allowed and paid June 27-47.

|                                                                                        |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Fending Drug Co. - books + supplies                                                    | 127. 19 |
| Hopkins + Hanley - Paint                                                               | 11. 60  |
| C. W. Cedarwall - 9 <sup>th</sup> labor - painting mado <sup>gash</sup> <sub>him</sub> | 97.     |
| Lee's News Agency - 1 yr. subscription Tribune                                         | 7. 05   |
| Gregory R. Bower Co - repair type - writer                                             | 15. 75  |
| Remondier Lumber Co - 1 window glass.                                                  | 4. 52   |
| H. W. Wilson - Subscription                                                            | 41. 40  |
| Campbell Printing Co - Letter Heads                                                    | 5. 95   |

Mrs. Ross moved + Mr. Amster seconded the ratification of the action of the Board members in allowing + paying these bills. Minutes of May 28th. were read + approved.

The 80% Co-Insurance plan was purchased as reported by Edson Murray + Ralph Amster.

Mr. Amster moved + Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion that we advertise in two local papers of opposite political adherence, for bids on new boiler and stoker.

Date for opening of sealed bids to be Monday July 28th. 1947. at the Public Library at 7:30 P.M.

Motion carried.

Retirement Fund was discussed but no action taken.

Vacation for assistant Librarian discussed. + question of new assistant in case Mrs. Fisher resigned.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Allman. Secy pro tem.

E. E. Murray, Pres.



July 28 - 1947,

The following members of the Library Board met on call of 7 librarians to open bids on furnace and stoker and any other business that would be presented. Edna Murray, Ora I. Ross, Blanche Mery, Mrs. Hopkins. & Blanche L. Chapman.

Minutes of July 16<sup>th</sup> read & approved.

Bills as follows were read & on motion by Miss Mery & seconded by Mrs. Ross.

were allowed and warrants orders drawn.

Double day Co. book. Ten Flute. 1.40

Fendig Day Co. Books - 6.83

C. L. Murphy Insurance. 59.14

Knaub. Ins. Agency Insurance 72.80

Request by Lutheran Congregation that they be permitted to meet in the Auditorium each Sunday was presented and Board decided on motion by Mrs. Ross & seconded by Miss Mery that the Library should not be open on Sunday.

1948 Budget was read and approved on motion by Miss Mery & seconded by Mrs. Ross. Seals bids were received from two firms for the new boiler & stoker.

Watson Plumbing & Heating Co. \$ 1450.

Jennings Michael \$ 1588.

Committee was to get more information on some items of the bids and report to the Board.

Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.

E. E. Murray, Pres.



August. 26<sup>th</sup>. 1947.

The L. Board met in Librarian's Office with the following members present: -  
Edson Murray, Craft T. Ross, Verna Deau, Martha Hopkins. + Mrs. Chapman

Bills as follows were read and ordered paid on motion by Mrs. Ross + seconded by Verna Deau.

|                     |                            |        |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------|
| Interstate Printers | Books.                     | 4.85-  |
| J.P. Lippincott Co. | Books.                     | 14.47  |
| Morrison Pub. Co.   | Books.                     | 9.92.  |
| Kuhn + Hood         | Esq. Rebinding Books       | 42.40. |
| Haywood Pub. Co.    | Budget forms               | 1.95   |
| Edd Moore           | Painting walls of Balcony. | 36.00  |
|                     | Total.                     | 109.09 |

City Council granted the Board permission to use \$1500 of the working balance to be used in purchase of a new furnace, on August 25, 1947. Minutes of July 28<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

Our income for 1948 appearing to be inadequate, on motion by Mrs. Ross + seconded by Martha Hopkins, a request for a levy of 15¢ be requested of the city council. - carried.

Moved by Mrs. Ross and supported by Mr. Conser that the lowest bid <sup>on furnace</sup> - Mr. Harry Watson be accepted including the Iron Fireman at an additional cost of \$44, carried.

No further business board adjourned.  
Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Sept. 15 - 1947,

The following members of Library Board met in the office at 4 P.M. Edson Murray, Mrs. Ora F. Ross, Mrs. Esther Allman, Verna Dean, Mrs. Martha Hopkins; Ralph Amaler & Blanche Chapman.

Minutes of Aug. 16th. were read & approved.

Bills as follows were read.

Fendig Drug Store, Books. 97.94.

Paint 8.27.

Office Supplies 2105, 108.16

Woodworth Insurance 10.03

La Rue " 7.47

Hammond Ins. Agency. 27.61

Total. 163.27

Mr. Amaler moved & Mrs. Ross seconded motion that, the bills be allowed & warrants drawn for the same.

Resignation of Mary Ellen Fisher was read by Secy, and on motion by Martha Hopkins, & seconded by Mr. Amaler, her resignation was accepted with regret by the board.

Due to lapse of time between receipt of bids & acceptance of bid of Mr. Harry Watson, as reported in minutes of August 26th; Mr. Watson said delay being caused by need to get consent of City Council to use money from working balance; Mr. Watson reported to Board that the furnace price had increased & his bid would have to be raised or he would not install the furnace. The total bid amounting to \$1579 on motion by Mrs. Allman & seconded by Verna Dean was followed by vote of the Board motion by Mr. Amaler & seconded by Mrs. Ross that Miss Lucilla George be employed as Assistant Librarian - at a salary of \$80 per month -



beginning work October 1, 1947. with 2 weeks  
vacation with pay. motion carried.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Balance Oct. 1 - 47. | 3020.29        |
| Fines & Rentals.     | 9.06.          |
|                      | <u>3029.35</u> |

Expenditures for October.

|                      |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Salaries             | 260.          |
| Telephone            | 3.            |
| Light & Water        | 4.42.         |
| Charles James Labor. | <u>26.25.</u> |
|                      | 293.67        |

Mr. Watson was paid for the furnace  
in November. 21st - 1947. \$1579.



November. 5. 1947.

The Library Board of Trustees met at the Office of the Librarian at 4:30 P. M.  
Members present were, Pres. Edna Murray, Vice Pres. Ora J. Ross, Verna Dean, Martha Hopkins, Ralph Ameler + Blanche L. Chapman.

Minutes of Sept. 15 read & approved.

Bills as follows were presented: -

|                                              |       |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|
| Salbert Schaab Lumber Co. - Lumber Coal Bin. | 8.67  |
| Charles James. Moving Partition Coal Bin.    | 26.25 |
| Helm & Hoth. Building Magazine               | 2.85  |
| Edd Moore. Paying Trash Hauling.             | 5.00  |
| Elta Hemphill Sundries                       | 7.37  |
| Total.                                       | 50.14 |

Motion by Ora Ross, seconded by Ralph Ameler that bills be allowed & ordered paid - carried.

Mr. Watson paid for furnace Nov. 21 - 47 1579.00

Mrs. Elta Hemphill reported on the Trustees' Librarian Meeting, which she attended in Indianapolis.

The Library Law of 1947. Chapter 321. Acts. of 1947.

makes it necessary for class III Libraries to convert to Class I. status before Jan. 1 - 1953. by passing the resolution in Sec. 7.

On Motion by Verna Dean & seconded by Ora J. Ross that The Bensalaer Public Library by action of its Trustees, hereby resolves and elects to change its identity and to become a library district under Chapter 321 of the Acts of 1947, which act is known as the Library Law of 1947. ; Carried.

Copy of this Resolution was to be prepared. and sent to the County Recorder.

House Committee was to have chaperician put switch at door of furnace room & take care of exposed wires in attic.

Board adjourned to inspect the new Furnace.  
Blanche L. Chapman. Secy.

Extension of Mrs. Elta Hemphill's License was to be requested. by the Board of Trustees.



Bal. Jan 1, 1947  
 City  
 Twp.  
 Fines, Rentals, Paper Sales

\$3825.13  
 3046.11  
 1731.75  
 173.73

Disbursements

\$8756.72  
 6897.27

Bal. Jan. 1, 1948

\$1859.45

Trustees met at  
 Jan 20, 1948.

E. E. Murray  
 Hopkins, Ralph Amuler

for Dec. 1947 having  
 Mrs. Chapman Secy.  
 Board by Telephone

were formally allowed by the Board at  
 this meeting.

On motion by Ora T. Ross and seconded  
 by Ralph Amuler the following bills  
 were verified.

|                                            |        |
|--------------------------------------------|--------|
| Fending Drug Co.; Books & Office Supplies. | 70.61. |
| John Hudson, Weather Stripping --          | 2.70   |
| Eshleman Electric Co. - Repair Hall Light  | 2.00   |
| Lee's News Agency, Chicago Trib. Int.      | 7.50   |
| Brunswick Supplement Co. Coal.             | 398.39 |
| Oday Book Co. - Books -                    | 5.60   |
| Gaylord Bros. - Fuel Supplies -            | 4.90.  |
| Hopkins & Hopkins - Ins. Premiums -        | 42.00. |

On motion by Mr. Amuler, seconded by  
 Mrs. Hopkins the following Jan. 1948 bills  
 were allowed.

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Ken Ford auto supply -- 2 wheels - | 3.00 |
| A. L. A. Beer - 1948               | 5.00 |

On motion by Mrs. Ross seconded  
 by Mrs. Hopkins. The salary of the  
 Assistant Librarian be increased  
 5.00. Carried.

Board adjourned

Verna Deane Secy  
 Protm.

E. E. Murray, Pres.

Total Receipts 1947 \$8756.72.

" Disbursement " 6897.27

On hand Jan 1 - 1948 1859.45



Jan. 20, 1948.

The Library Board of Trustees met at  
The Library at 4 P.M. Jan 20, 1948.

Members present were - Edson Murray,  
Cora J. Ross, Martha Hopkins, Ralph Amuler,  
Vienna Deane.

The following bills for Dec. 1947 having  
been approved by Mrs. Chapman Secy.  
and allowed by the Board by telephone  
were formally allowed by the Board at  
this meeting.

On motion by Cora J. Ross and seconded  
by Ralph Amuler the following bills  
were verified.

|                                           |        |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| Tending Drug Co. Books & Office Supplies. | 70.61. |
| John Hudson Weather stripping - -         | 2.70   |
| Eshlman Electric Co. - Repair Hall Light  | 2.00   |
| Lees News Agency Chicago Trib. Int.       | 7.50   |
| Brunnahan Supplement Co. Coal.            | 398.39 |
| Oday Book Co. - Books -                   | 5.60   |
| Gaylord Bros. - Quilt Supplies -          | 4.90.  |
| Hopkins & Hopkins - Ins. Premiums -       | 42.00. |

On motion by Mr. Amuler, seconded by  
Mrs. Hopkins the following Jan. 1948 bills  
were allowed.

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Ken Ford auto supply - 2 wheels - | 3.00 |
| A. L. A. Deer - 1948              | 5.00 |

On motion by Mrs. Ross seconded  
by Mrs. Hopkins. The salary of the  
Assistant Librarian be increased  
5.00. Carried.

Board adjourned

Total Receipts 1947 \$ 8756.72.

" Disbursement " 6897.27

On hand Jan. 1 - 1948 1859.45

Vienna Deane Secy  
Protem.

E. E. Murray, Pres.



March 18 - 1948.

The Library Board having voted to convert the Library under the New Library Law of 1947. From Class 3 to Class 1 and become a Library District. and the necessary notices filed in the Court House and copies sent to the appointing officials; appointments to the New Library Board were as follows.

Judge.

Mrs. A. W. Hopkins. term 1 year.

Ralph Amaler " 2 years.

Mrs. Kenneth Allman. " 3 years.

City Council.

Mrs. J. H. Chapman. " 1 year.

H. E. Murray. " 2 years.

School Board.

R. L. Cleland term 3 years.

Mrs. D. D. Dean. " 4 years.

These appointments met in the Librarian's room at 7.30 P. M. with Edson Murray presiding.

The following officers were elected for one year.

President - Edson Murray.

Vice President. Martha Hopkins.

Secretary. Blanche L. Chapman.

The minutes of January 10 were read and approved.

Martha Hopkins moved and Berna Dean seconded a motion that the board met on the 2nd (second) Monday of each month at four (4) P. M. Motion carried. Bills as follows were read.

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Fendig Drug Store books & supplies | 72.49 |
| Doubleday Book Co.                 | 5.60  |
| Hickman Bindery                    | 11.62 |
| A. S. A. Book list subscription    | 5.    |
| Indiana Historical Society dues.   | 3.    |



|                       |                                |        |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------|
| J. L. A.              | dues.                          | 11.50  |
| Campbell Printing Co. | stationary.                    | 10.75- |
| Gaylord Bros.         | book pockets, pencils, rulers. | 4.35-  |
| Bruna Lau Imp. Co.    | Coal.                          | 17.75- |
| Van Tol Lumber Co.    | Wheelbarrow.                   | 9.45-  |
| Total.                |                                | 146.57 |

Esther Allman moved the bills be allowed and Ralph Amster seconded. Carried.

President, Edron Murray was to report on the new committee at next regular board meeting.

After discussion of use of the Auditorium down stairs by different organizations the board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

J. E. Murray, Pres

|         |         |            |
|---------|---------|------------|
| Mch. 1- | Balance | \$ 1382.03 |
| Apr. 1- | "       | 999.40     |



April 12. 1948.

Board met at 4 P. M. in Librarian's office with following members present.  
Edson Murray, R. L. Clelland, Ralph Anster, Martha Hopkins, Esther Allman, Bernard Dean, Blanche Chapman.  
Minutes of March 18th. read and approved.

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Bills read - Lloyd Meyer Insurance | 30.38 |
| Beaver News Agency Periodicals     | 93 65 |
| Fred's Drug Store. Books.          | 26.09 |
| Double Day & Co. Book.             | 1.40  |

Clelland moved & Esther Allman seconded that they be allowed and ordered paid carried.

Letter from Hazel B. Warren, Chief of Extension Division acknowledging the receipt of letter from the Secy - stating the Library Conversion and election of new officers - was read.

Also letter recommending that we attend the District meeting at Rochester Ind. June 24th. Motion by Bernard Dean, seconded by Esther Allman that the Librarian & assistant attend the Library for that date, and attend the meeting, with expenses paid by library. Carried.

President Edson Murray - appointed the following committees

|          |                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| House.   | Bernard Dean & Mr. Clelland.    |
| Supplies | Ralph Anster & Blanche Chapman. |
| Books.   | Esther Allman & Martha Hopkins. |

Motion by Esther Allman & seconded by Ralph Anster that the closing time for Library has always been 9 P. M. and any groups meeting in the Library must be out by 9 P. M. Carried.



The Board regret the passing of a former member of the Library Board who served for many years attending the meetings faithfully & serving on many committees. Miss of Blanche Merry.

In recognition of her interest & service to the Library, the Board & Librarian are sending flowers in expression of their sympathy.

No further business, the board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman.  
Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres

Insurance in force- Jan 1, 1948:

|                                             | Bldg. | Contents | Premium          | Due                |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|----------|------------------|--------------------|
| Ohio Farmers 70552<br>W. Woodworth-agency   | 3000  | 2000     | 13.69            | 6/7/48             |
| London 48357<br>E. LaRue-agency             | 4000  | 1000     | 12.59            | 6/7/48<br>6/7/49   |
| Indiana 1181-2<br>F. Meyers-agency          | 3000  | 2000     | 30.38<br>(28.90) | 6/7/49<br>(4/2/50) |
|                                             | 3000  | 2000     |                  | 6/7/49             |
| Norwick 946041<br>M. J. Hammond-agency      | 3000  | 2000     | 43.40            | 6/7/50             |
| American 505637<br>D. D. Dean-agency        | 4000  | 1000     | 41.36<br>(38.00) | 6/7/50             |
| Milwaukee 163                               | 3500  | 1500     | 54.35            | 6/7/51             |
| Milwaukee 164<br>C. L. Murphy-agency        | 3500  | 1500     | 54.35            | 6/7/51             |
| Aetna 65244<br>N. K. Knaub-agency           | 3000  | 2000     | 72.80            | 6/7/52             |
| New Hampshire 72196<br>A. H. Hopkins-agency | 4000  | 1000     | 62.89            | 6/7/52             |
|                                             | 34000 | 16000    |                  |                    |



Page  
Blank



May 10th. 1948.

The following members of the Board met in the office at 4 P.M., Edson Murray, Martha Hopkins, Esther Allman, R. H. Cleveland, Blanche H. Chapman.

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Bills read Edd Moore lawnmower. | 27.50 |
| Funk & Wagnalls. Yearbook.      | 5.30  |
| Double day & Co. Books.         | 2.80  |

Motion by Esther Allman & seconded by

Motion by Martha Hopkins that bills be allowed and warrants drawn for same. Carried.

Storm blew off the Seattle-hole cover & was reported by Janitor Edd Moore & Librarian & Board approved of its repair.

Motion that the lawn mower purchased by Mr. Moore for \$27.50 be the property of the Library and a warrant for the same be made to Edd Moore, was made by Mrs. Martha Hopkins & seconded by Esther Allman, carried.

We find we have 3 sets of Biographical History Vol. 1 and Vol. 2. and on motion by Esther Allman & seconded by Martha Hopkins that 1 (one) set of them be sent to the Genealogical Library at Indianapolis. Carried.

Adjourned P. M.

Blanche H. Chapman. Secy.

J. E. Murray, Pres.



Balance Jan. 1, 1948  
June drawing  
Fines & Rentals  
Gift *cash for book.*

\$1859.45  
4548.34  
102.30  
4.12

Expenditures

\$6514.21  
2076.03

Balance July 1, 1948

\$4438.18



June 14 - 1948.

The regular meeting of the Library Board was held in the Librarian's office at 4 P. M. with the following members present. Edson Murray, R. L. Cleveland, Verna Dean, Martha Hopkins, Esther Allinaw, & Ralph Amuler & Blanche L. Chapman. Minutes of May 10 read & approved.

Bills presented.

|                           |                                              |        |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------|
| Layload Bros.             | Office Supplies.                             | 19.25  |
| Rever New Agency.         | Magazine Sub.                                | 7.00   |
| Ralph Donnelly            | Repairs basement stairs and gluing bookcase. | 45.60  |
| A. L. A.                  | Books.                                       | 9.10   |
| Chas. Scribner & Sons.    | Book.                                        | 7.50   |
| Dr. R. Phillips           | Books.                                       | 18.75  |
| Edd Moore                 | Clamoir.                                     | 4.00   |
| Edta Hemphill.            | Sundries & gas.                              | 10.34  |
| Fendig Drug Store         | Books & Office Supplies.                     | 76.64  |
| Talbert Dehaas Lumber Co. | for Lumber.                                  | 10.80. |

Motion by Mr. Cleveland & seconded by Verna Dean. That bills be allowed & ordered paid. Carried.

Board discussed finances and June draw. and meeting at Altica. which the Librarian\* & Martha Hopkins and Blanche Chapman attended.

Board adjourned.

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

\*

Mrs. Edta Hemphill and Miss Lucilla George.

E. C. Murray, Pres.



July 12th. 1948.

The Library Board met at 4 P. M. in the Office with the following members present. Edson Murray, Ralph Ansler, Martha Hopkins, Blanche L. Chapman, and Librarian.

The Pres. Edson Murray presided and minutes of June 14th. were read and approved.

On motion by Ralph Ansler & seconded by Martha Hopkins, Bills as follows were allowed and warrants ordered drawn for the same.

|                       |                         |     |    |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----|----|
| Campbell Printing Co. | 1000 Book Labels.       | 8   | 75 |
| H. W. Wilson Co.      | Subscription            | 41  | 40 |
| Lee's News Agency.    | Tribune Jan to June.    | 7   | 50 |
| Ed. Humphill          | Material, labor on door | 6   | 85 |
| Woodworth Agency.     | Insurance               | 77  | 98 |
|                       |                         | 142 | 48 |

The Librarian reported that Mr. & Mrs. Dial of Indianapolis Ind. sent a gift of \$10.00 to purchase two reference books for the library in honor of W. L. Bott. (Current Biography 1946 & 47. Also a gift from Mr & Mrs. R. L. Paulus of 263 to purchase "The Great Rehearsal" in honor of Miss Maude Dougherty.

Motion by Martha Hopkins & seconded by Ralph Ansler that we adjourn - carried.  
Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Aug. 9, 1948.

Library Board met in the office at 4.30 P.M. with Pres. Murray presiding and Ralph Amoler, Martha Hopkins, R.L. Cleveland, & Blanche L. Chapman present.

Minutes of July 12<sup>th</sup>. read & approved.  
Standing order of Salaries, Telephone & Light \$249.50 paid first of month.  
Bills as follow read.

|                          |                   |              |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Fending Drug Store.      | Books & Supplies. | 146.25       |
| Haywood Pub Co.          | Budget forms.     | 1.           |
| Am. Tech. Society.       | Books.            | 1.17         |
| Cross Publishing Co.     | Books.            | 1242.19.30   |
| Hammond Ind. Agency.     | Premium.          | 15.65        |
| Doubleday Publishing Co. | Books.            | 1.40         |
| Manuel Arts Press.       | Books.            | 19.80        |
|                          |                   | <hr/> 197.19 |

Motion by Cleveland & seconded by Ralph Amoler that bills be allowed and order drawn for the same, carried.

The resignation of the assistant library Lucilla George was read and on motion by Martha Hopkins & seconded by Ralph Amoler. The Board accepted her resignation which takes effect Friday September 10<sup>th</sup>. 1948.

Motion by Martha Hopkins that Mrs. Helen Scahlan be selected to help the Librarian and salary <sup>\$480.00</sup> to begin Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. 1948. was seconded by Wm. Cleveland and carried by vote of members.

Board adjourned on motion by Cleveland & Hopkins.

Blanche L. Chapman, Secy.

Balance August 1<sup>st</sup>. 4068.80

J. E. Murray, Pres.

Remselan \$8530. Budget



Sept. 13, 1948.

Members of Library Board present at regular meeting were President Edson Murray, Marmat Hopkins, R. L. Cleveland, and Esther Allman.

Minutes of Aug. 9. read & approved.

List of bills read and ordered paid by Cleveland and Hopkins. as follows.

|                    |                             |     |    |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----|----|
| J. J. Halcomb.     | 5 gal. Floor Treatment.     | 9   | 75 |
| H. W. Wilson.      | 3 copies Current Biography. | 10  |    |
| Doane Ag. Digest.  | 1 yr. subscription          | 10  |    |
| Brasnaham Imp. Co. | 23 Ton 1350 lbs. Coal.      | 318 | 80 |
| DeLaar Pub. Co.    | Book.                       |     | 96 |
| Fendig Drug Store. | Books & Supplies.           | 97  | 84 |
| Ralph Donnelly.    | Window Repairs              | 47  | 60 |
| Elta Hemphill.     | Gen. Supplies               | 10  | 45 |
| James S. Davis     | Vacation 29 hours.          | 14  | 50 |
| Lucilla George     | Salary 10 days.             | 28  |    |
|                    |                             | 7   | 90 |

Board discussed some needed repairs of Library Tables, and windows to be checked and ordered Building Com. to attend to the same.

Board inspected old light fixtures and decided to "discard them."

Motion to adjourned made by Hopkins & Allman.

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.  
Esther Allman Secy Pro Tem.

D. E. Murray, Pres



October 11 - 1948.

The Library Board met in the office at 4 P. M. for the regular meeting, with the following members present: Pms. Edson Murray, R. L. Cleveland, Martha Hopkins, Ester DeLamater, Blanche Chapman & Verna Dean. Minutes of Sept 13, read and approved.

Bill read, approved and ordered paid:-

|                          |                   |         |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| J. B. Lippicott Co.      | Books.            | 12. 79. |
| Interstate Pub. Co.      | "                 | 8. 52.  |
| John Wiley & Son.        | "                 | 12. 80  |
| Dep. Ag. Ed. Univ. Ohio. | Books.            | 1. 10   |
| Morrison Pub. Co.        | Books.            | 5. 35-  |
| Bruce Pub. Co.           | "                 | 5. 98   |
| Fendig Drug Store.       | " & Supplies      | 58. 74  |
| Electric Service Co.     | Light tubes       | 6. 60   |
| Emmett LaRue             | Ins. Premium.     | 68. 99  |
| Cooper Roofing Co.       | Caulking Windows. | 73. 50  |

Mrs. Allman moved that the bills be allowed and orders drawn for payment & seconded by Mrs. Dean. - carried.

Mr. Cleveland reported that Mr. Ralph Donnelly was to repair the Library Tables. -

Martha Hopkins, graciously offered six large barberry bushes from her yard to fill in the vacant places in the hedge and the Board accepted the gift and thank Mrs. Hopkins.

Board adjourned on motion by Cleveland & Allman. - carried.

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

E. E. Murray Pres.



November 8 - 1948.

The regular board meeting was held with the following members present in the Librarian's Office: -

President Edw. Murray, presiding,  
R. L. Cleveland, Esther Allman, Verna Dean & Blanche Chapman.

Billy had just allowed an motion by R. L. Cleveland & seconded by - Esther Allman - Carried.  
move -

|                                      |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Hayford Bros. Gen. supplies          | 20. 95        |
| Emmanuel Publishing Co. Books.       | 4.            |
| Wilcox & Follett Co. Books.          | 25. 46        |
| Double day & Co. Books.              | 20. 11        |
| Fred's Drug Store. Books & Sundries. | 102. 13.      |
|                                      | <hr/> 172. 65 |

Mr. Cleveland moved that the salary of the janitor be increased from \$35 a month to \$40 a month beginning with work done starting with Nov. 1 - 1948. - Mrs. Dean seconded the motion - Carried.  
His duties

Sweep library each day.

Dust tables, chairs & ledge of windows.

Sweeps basement & auditorium when needed.

Washes all windows inside & out two times a year.

Fixes boiler in winter. Cleans walks.

Cares for lawn in summer.

Take screens down & washes same & puts them up in spring.

Board adjourned on motion

Blanche W. Chapman, Secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.



Dec. 13, 1948.

The following members of the Library met in Librarian's Office:

R. L. Cleveland, Blanche Chapman, Edson Murray, Martha Hopkins, Esther Ellman, Ralph Amster.

Minutes of Nov. 8th. read & approved.

Bills read:-

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Fending Drug Store.              | 140. 20.      |
| Wilcox & Follett Book Co         | 1. 56.        |
| Lee News Agency, Tribune.        | 7. 50.        |
| A. H. A. Book List Subscription. | 5. 00         |
| A. H. A. Dues for 1949.          | 14. 18.       |
| Elta. Hamphill. Sundries.        | 5. 00.        |
|                                  | <hr/> 173. 44 |

R. L. Cleveland moved they be allowed & warrants drawn for the same, & seconded by Martha Hopkins - carried.

R. L. Cleveland moved we adjourned, seconded by Ralph Amster.

Bills which were due before the first of January 1949, were allowed & ordered paid when presented to the Board - as follows.

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Fending Drug Store Books & Sundries  | 99. 36 |
| Am. Corporation - 1 copy 1948 Annual | 5.     |
| Rauscher Elec. Service - Light tubes | 6. 60  |
| Hahn & Nook Book Binding.            | 27. 01 |
| Wilcox & Follett Books               | 15. 58 |

Vouchers & checks for these bills totaling 153. 55 were written on Dec. 30th. 1948

Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Page  
Blank



Page  
Blank



Jan. 10. 1949.

Board met with the following members present.  
 Martha Hopkins, R. L. Cleveland, Ralph Ambler  
 Esther Allman and Blanche L. Chapman. Pro Tem.  
 " " acted as scribes.

In absence of the President Edison Murray,  
 Martha Hopkins presided.

Minutes of Dec. 10. were read & approved.  
 On motion by R. L. Cleveland & seconded by  
 Ralph Ambler the following bills were allowed  
 & ordered paid: -

|                               |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| Hahn & Hoth Magazine Binding. | 2. 85 |
| Edd Moore Help to trim books  | 3. 75 |

An order from M. C. Clurg's stated that all orders  
 of books under 100 lbs. would not be prepaid.  
 Board decided to order books as needed re-  
 gardless of cost of cartage.

A discussion of the salaries of the librarian  
 and assistant librarian and the wording  
 of the budget was held and no action taken.

House Com. Verna Dean & R. L. Cleveland were to  
 investigate & report at next meeting <sup>on</sup> the  
~~purchase~~ of new window shades.

On motion by R. L. Cleveland and Ambler the  
 board adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy Pro Tem.  
 Blanche L. Chapman Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Feb. 14, 1949.

The Renaselaer Public Library Board met in regular session at the Library on Monday Feb. 14 at 4 P.M. Those present Mr. Murray, Mrs. A. Hopkins, Mrs. Dean, Mrs. Allman, Mr. Cleveland and Mrs. Robinson. Absent Mr. Ameler.

Mrs. Arthur Hopkins presented credentials signifying that she had been reappointed to the board by the Judge for a term of four (4) years. Mrs. Bertha Robinson presented credentials showing that she had been a new appointee for four (4) years thru the Mayor and City Council.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Jan. 10. were read and corrected, then upon motion properly supported were approved and adopted.

The president asked Mrs. Hopkins to prepare a note of appreciation to Mrs. Blanche Chapman for her years of service on the board. She having resigned this Jan.

Bills amounting to \$147.92 according to list were approved for payment thru a motion by Mrs. Dean seconded by Mr. Cleveland.

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Fending Drug Store Books & Sundries  | 118.92 |
| Brusnahan Implement Co. Trash Burner | 9.20   |
| Rob. Myers. Electrical work          | 7.60   |
| Ind. Historical Society Dues.        | 3.00   |
| Day Publishing Co. Books.            | 5.70   |
| Ind. Library Trustees Assn. Dues     | 2.00   |
| Ind. " " Assn.                       | 1.50   |
|                                      | 147.92 |

Mr. Cleveland moved that venetian blinds be purchased for the Library and the house com. be instructed to secure bids



according to law and report at the March meeting. Mrs. Dean supported the motion, & it carried by a unanimous vote.

In continuation of the discussion on salary raises for the librarians left from last meeting a motion was made by Mrs. Hopkins and seconded by Mrs. Robinson that:

The salary of Mrs. Hemphill, chief librarian, be raised from \$15.00 to \$20.00, and Mrs. Seantley, assistant librarian from \$9.60 to \$12.00, with new time schedule to comply with the rules of the North Central Assn.

This schedule ~~and raise~~ to be in effect from 8:30 a.m. to 9 P.M. Monday thru Friday during school term only. Both to start March 1, 1949.

The motion carried unanimously.

It being six P.M. on a motion by Mrs. Hopkins and supported by Mrs. Dean and the vote of the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Esther C. Allman secy  
Pro Tem.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



March 14, 1949

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session March 14, 1949. Present D. E. Murray, R. J. Cleveland, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Edwin Robinson, Mrs. ~~Robinson~~ Hopkins and Mrs. K. F. Allman, absent Mrs. Ralph Amster.

The secy read the minutes of the previous meeting. These were approved as read.

Under old business the house committee opened the bids for Venetian Blinds for the library. These<sup>3</sup> were submitted namely:

W. J. Wright \$214.<sup>00</sup> — \$284.<sup>00</sup> 2376 These bids were  
John Hudson \$250.<sup>00</sup> — \$290.<sup>00</sup>  
Fendigo Ruxal 265.<sup>00</sup> — 280.<sup>00</sup> for 24 windows in  
Fendigo Ruxal — the auditorium.

after thinking it over the board decided to include the basement windows in the bid. A motion by Mrs. Allman and seconded by Mrs. Dean to this effect carried ~~un~~animously.

A motion to have eggshell stiles and <sup>eggshell</sup> tapes ~~out~~ inside with red tapes on inside by Mrs. Allman supported by Mrs. Robinson. It carried unanimously.

A motion by Mrs. Robinson. The house committee purchase the Venetian Blinds using their best judgement. Seconded by Mrs. Hopkins. Carried.

The note of appreciation for Mrs. Chapman was continued till next meeting.

New business consisted of the allowing of the bills as follows. Mr. Cleveland moved, Mrs. Dean seconded that these bills be paid. Motion carried.

In accordance with the new laws officers were elected for a term of one year. Mr. D. E. Murray was re-elected President, Mrs. A. R. Hopkins re-elected Vice Pres. and Mrs. K. F. Allman was newly elected secy. Mr. Cleveland nominated and Mrs. Dean seconded. Elected unanimously.



This finished the business and on motion by Mrs. Hopkins and supported by Mrs. Robinson the meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

| Bills allowed    | March, 14, 1949. |             |
|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Fendigs Store    | Books            | 74.58       |
| Caxton Printer   | "                | 3.96        |
| Douglasday & Co. | "                | 5.60        |
| Leidlau Bros.    | "                | 11.71       |
|                  |                  | <hr/> 95.82 |



April 11, 1949.

The Russell Public Library Board met in regular session April 11, 1949. 4 P.M. Present D. E. Murray, Mrs. Ed Robinson Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. H. F. Allman. Absent Ralph Amos, R. L. Cleveland, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins.

The secy read the minutes of previous meeting. These were approved as read.

Bills amounting to \$197.<sup>52</sup> were moved paid and an order drawn on Treas. by Mrs. Dean supported by Mrs. Robinson. motion carried.

Bills allowed April 11, 1949

|                                    |             |                |
|------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Fendigo Drug Store                 | Books.      | \$70.40        |
| W. S. Beatchley, nature study club |             |                |
| Earl Brooks Secy.                  | Books       | 7.50           |
| Doubleday & Co.                    | Books.      | 1.50           |
| Beaver News Co.                    | Periodicals | 48.55          |
| Gaylords Bros.                     | Supplies    | 19.67          |
|                                    |             | <hr/> \$197.52 |

The matter of the Librarians District meeting to be held at Winamac May 17. was presented by the Librarian. Mrs. Robinson moved the librarian be authorized to close the library and attend same. Traveling expense be paid from Library funds. Mrs. Dean seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The house com. reported the purchase of the Venetian blinds from W. J. Wrights. The secy wrote notes to Fendigo Rexall and Hudsons the other two bidders.

The janitor Ed. Moore reported that upon investigation it was his opinion that the barberry offered by Mrs. Hopkins was too large to be moved and divided. A motion by Mrs. Dean authorizing Mrs. Hemphill to purchase enough new shrubs to fill in the present hedge. Mrs. Robinson supported.



the motion. Motion carried.

No further business being on hand the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

L. E. Murray, Pres

May 9, 1949

The Russellan Public Library Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Library Monday 4 P.M. D.S.T. May 9, 1949.

Present L. E. Murray, A. L. Cleveland, Ralph Amster, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, and Mrs. H. F. Allman.

President Murray presided. The minutes were read and approved as given. The regular bills were O. K. ed and the amount \$208<sup>00</sup> was presented to the board. A. L. Cleveland moved and Amster seconded that they be paid and an order drawn on the treasurer. The motion passed unanimously.

The matter of some furniture and sundries stored in the library, same belonging to Mrs. Ora Ross a former board member, was brought before the board by the Librarian, Mrs. Etta Hemphill. The board instructed her to ask the owner to remove same.

A discussion was held on new cloth blinds for the basement windows. These for the purpose of darkening the room for movies. A. L. Cleveland moved that Wrights be approached on new green blinds to be placed on old rollers if practicable. If not get all new. Amster seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A. L. Cleveland suggested we have publicity on the new improvements made in the Library in the past year. Notice to be given by the Librarian.

The new Venetian blinds installed throughout the Library were inspected. It was the unanimous opinion that they were entirely satisfactory with



The exception of two or three fitting to close. The house committee to report on these.

R. Amster moved the meeting be adjourned, Mrs. Robinson seconded, It passed.

Mrs. K. F. Allman ex. ecy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

June, 13, 1949

The Russellau Public Library Trustees met in regular session Monday 4: P.M. D.S.T. June 13, 1949.

Those present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D. R. Dean, Mrs. K. F. Allman, and Mr. R. S. Cleaveland.

In the absence of the Pres. G. E. Murray, Mrs. Hopkins vice pres. presided. The minutes were read by the secy and unanimously approved.

Under old business Mrs. Hemphill reported the old furniture has been removed from the balcony and part of it has been put to use in the store room.

The matter of cloth blinds for the windows in the basement auditorium was carefully reconsidered and as the motion was made at the previous meeting for the house committee to proceed the board were unanimous in their vote to go on and finish the window situation, It was moved by Mrs. Dean and supported by Mrs. Allman for



Mrs. Cleaveland to contact Wright and work out the best possible arrangement for the blinds. Material to be black in color, there being 11 windows. Motion carried.

Bills amounting to \$541.<sup>65</sup> were allowed. Mr. Cleaveland making the motion, Mrs. Dean supporting.

Under new business the board were in favor of letting the ivy grow on the walls of the Library with supervision as to windows and gutters.

Mrs. Hemphill announced that the Russellan Public Library had been asked by the St. Joe College library to co-operate in lending childrens books for the summer course in "Children's Literature" they are conducting. Our Librarian was pleased to find we have more than half the books they need.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. A. H. Hopkins acting Pres.  
Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.



July 11, 1949.

The Board of the Rensselaer Public Library met in regular session Monday 7:00 P.M. D.S.T. at the Library July 11, 1949.

Present were: J. E. Murray, Mrs. A-H. Hopkins, Mrs. D.D. Dean, and Mrs. K.F. Allman.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$503.<sup>58</sup> were allowed. The order to be drawn on the Treasurer. Mrs. Hopkins made the motion, Mrs. Dean seconded it.

The librarian, Mrs. Etta Hemphil, was instructed to obtain estimates on cost of bindings for the National Geographic magazine.

From time to time many books have <sup>been</sup> and are given to the library, after sorting these books the librarian finds many duplicates of histories and classic sets as well as novels. These books have not been accessioned. The board unanimously approved the suggestion made by the librarian that these books be given for use in school libraries within Jasper County, she using her discretion as to the number and need.

The budget for 1950 was discussed and note was taken of improvements needed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. K.F. Allman secy.

J. E. Murray, Pres.



Aug. 8, 1949.

The Board of the Rensselaer Public Library met at the Library for regular meeting Aug. 8, 1949. Monday 4:00 P.m. N.S.T.

Present were: G. E. Murray, Mrs. A. H. Hopkins, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed Robinson, and Mrs. H. F. Allman.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and stood approved.

The report on the findings for Geographics was given by the librarian. A motion by Mrs. Hopkins supported by Mrs. Dean, that the National Geographic Magazines be bound and kept up to date. The cost being \$2.85 for every 6 months. The motion passed.

Bills of 134.40 were presented. Mrs. Dean moved these bills be paid and Mrs. Robinson supported the motion. The motion passed. Bills ~~be~~ allowed.

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Hammond Insurance Agency       | 78.00        |
| Doane Agricultural Agency      | 10.00        |
| H. W. Wilson Co. Subscriptions | 45.00        |
| Doubleday & Co. Book           | 19.00        |
|                                | <hr/> 134.40 |

The 1950 budget as made by the board was read. Mrs. Robinson moved the budget of \$9225.<sup>00</sup> be accepted. Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion. This passed unanimously.

The immediate improvements considered were new lighting, new floor, new furniture for the board room.

The meeting was adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Sept. 12 1949

The Board of the Russell Public Library met for regular session at 4 P.M. Those present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins Vice President and Mrs. H. F. Allman secy. As there was not a quorum the meeting could not be held.

The Librarian had prepared the board room with a table as suggested.

Mrs. H. F. Allman, secy.  
Martha E. Hopkins<sup>H. F.</sup>  
Vice - Pres.

Oct. 10, 1949

The Board of the Russell Public Library met Oct. 10, 1949 at 4 P.M. Those present Mr. Ed. Murray, Pres., Mrs. Art. Hopkins V. P., Mr. Cleveland, Mr. Amos, and Mrs. Ed. Robinson.

The minutes were read for Aug. 8 - 1949. They were approved.

Bills for Sept. read as follows: -

|                                                   |        |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Fendigo Drug store Books & Supplies               | 60.02  |
| Wilecox & Follett Book                            | 2.85   |
| Doubleday & Co.                                   | 1.90   |
| Campbell printing Co. Book plates                 | 12.75  |
| Patricia Putts (50 hrs @ .50) Salary for vacation | 25.00  |
|                                                   | 102.02 |

Motion made by Mrs. Cleveland & supported by Mr. Amos for the payment of the bills. Motion passed.

Bills were read for Oct. as follows:

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Fendigo Drug Store Books & Supplies | 114.36 |
| J. W. Williams Labor on Book Bin    | 3.00   |
| Jasper Co. News Subscription        | 2.00   |
|                                     | 119.36 |

Motion was made by Mr. Amos & ~~secy.~~ by Mrs. Hopkins that these bills be paid. passed.

A discussion was held on further landscaping the front lawn of the Library. Mr. Cleveland made a motion supported by Mr. Amos that Mr. Walter Schultz fill in the barberry hedge where needed to complete the landscaping. The motion carried.



A letter was read concerning the A.L.A. Regional meeting in Grand Rapids. No action was taken.

Further discussion regarding possible improvements for the Library Building the coming year was held.

A card announcing a new periodical Hoosier History was read + a motion by Mrs. Hopkins + sec. by Mr. Cleveland that we subscribe for it for six months, was passed.

The meeting adjourned

Bertha Robinson acting secy.  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

Nov. 13 - 1949.

The Pussellau Public Library Board met in regular session Nov. 13, 1949, Monday at 4 P.M. Those present Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Mrs. R. F. Allman, Mr. Ralph Amoser and Mr. R. J. Cleveland.

In the absence of the Pres. Edson Murray Sr. the Vice Pres. Mrs. Arthur Hopkins presided.

The minutes were read and approved.

Bills to be allowed in Nov. 1949 were as follows:

|                    |                      |        |
|--------------------|----------------------|--------|
| Fendigs Drug Store | Books + Sundries.    | 182.68 |
| Daylonds Brad.     | Library supplies     | 41.10  |
| H. W. Wilson Co.   | Book                 | 8.00   |
| Talbert-Schaab     | Lumber for coal bin. | 5.22   |
| Walter Schultz.    | Shrubs.              | 16.20  |

Motion to pay bills made by Mr. Cleveland + sec. by Mrs. Robinson. passed. 253.20

Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1949 - \$446.72

Under old business. The order for the new magazine, Hoosier Historical was returned. The project didn't get enough support to continue.

Mrs. Etta Kemphill, librarian attended the State Library meeting. Her report was received at the meeting. She has the appointment for this district to encourage and secure new young people for library work.



No further business the meeting adjourned  
by motion of Mr. Cleveland + Mrs. Robinson.

Martha E. Hopkins - ~~Vice Pres.~~  
(Mrs. K. F.) Etta allman secy.

Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 1949

The Library Board met Dec. 12 with five members present. Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mr. Ralph Amster, Mrs. Ed. Robinson and Mr. R. E. Cleveland. The Vice Pres. Mrs. Hopkins presided. The Nov. minutes were read and approved.

Mrs. Hemphil passed the pamphlets regarding Library Lighting around so they could be looked over with the view of adding extra lights after the first of the year.

The following bills for Dec. 12, 1949 were read:

|                                            |              |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Fendigs Drug store - Books + Sundries      | 134.65       |
| John Hudson Linoleum                       | 4.75         |
| Watson Plumbing Co. Oil + cleaning furnace | 2.70         |
| Michael Plumbing Co. Sheet metal           | 2.25         |
| Lee's News Agency Chi. Tribune 6 mo.       | 7.50         |
| John Wiley + Sons Books                    | 6.78         |
| Etta Hemphil supplies                      | 14.75        |
|                                            | <hr/> 175.38 |

Mr. Amster moved + Mrs. Dean seconded the motion approving the bills, it passed.

Mrs. Hemphil told of the most successful book week recently held at the library and of the increased interest in reading, especially among the children.

Mrs. Hemphil asked permission to pay all Dec. bills in Dec. and have them O.K'd at the Jan. meeting. Such action was approved by those present. Mr. Cleveland moved + Mrs. Dean seconded a motion that the meeting adjourn.

Martha Robinson  
acting secy.

Martha E. Hopkins, Vice - Pres.



Jan. 9

~~Feb. 13~~ 1950

The Library Board of the Russel Library met for their regular <sup>meeting</sup> monthly at the home of the Board's president Mr. J. E. Murray, Jan. 9, 1950.

Members present were Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. H. F. Allman and Mr. J. E. Murray. Mrs. Etta Hemphill the librarian was also present.

Mr. Murray presided and called for the reading of the minutes of the Dec. meeting. They were read and approved.

In accordance with the 1950 budget the monthly salaries of the Librarian for \$20.<sup>00</sup>, Assistant for \$12.5<sup>00</sup>, and janitor for \$5.<sup>00</sup> became effective with the Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> 1950 payment. Moved by Mrs. Hopkins and seconded by Mrs. Dean. Motion passed.

The President instructed the librarian, Mrs. Hemphill to notify the various appointive authorities of the expiration of terms of the board members.

The resignation of R. D. Cleveland was received. The board moved to ask him to re-consider as they thought him a valuable member. He was contacted by the librarian but continued in his request. His resignation was accepted.

The Dec. 1949 bills were O. K'd and the Jan. bills allowed. Mrs. Dean made the motion, Mrs. Hopkins supported the motion. It passed.

A Yale lock was ordered placed on the door of the Trustees room in the library basement.

A review of the suggestions for better library service contained in the latest Occurrent was held. This resulted in giving the librarian a free hand in the weeding out of unused books from the stacks.

It was the unanimous judgement of the board that a new floor for the library is the next most needed improvement same to be brought before the board at the Feb. meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by the Pres.

J. E. Murray Pres. Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.



Feb. 13, 1950

The Russell Library Board held their regular meeting Feb. 13, 1950 at the library. Those present were, Pres. <sup>Mr.</sup>Edson Murray, <sup>Mr.</sup>Ralph Amster, Mr. Garland Hardy, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, & Mrs. K.F. Allman.

The minutes of the Jan. meeting were read and approved.

Bills to the amount of \$58.<sup>44</sup> were presented. Mrs. Hopkins moved they be allowed, Mrs. Robinson seconded. Motion passed.

|                                        |             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Fendigo Drug Store -- Books & Sundries | 52.76       |
| Doubleday & Co.                        | 2.80        |
| Michael Plumbing Co. Repairs           | 2.90        |
|                                        | <hr/> 58.46 |

Mr. Garland Hardy presented his credentials and was welcomed as a new member. His appointment is for 1 yr. filling out the unexpired term of Mr. Cleveland. The appointing authority being the school board.

A discussion on the Library rental plan also the advisability of near trip. coming into our Library unit. No decision was made.

Our balance on Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 66.92.<sup>51</sup> 69.30.<sup>40</sup> Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>

The floor was the main order of business. Mr. Amster and Mr. Hardy were appointed a com. to investigate floor covering material.

Adjourned.

Mrs. K.F. Allman secy.

G.E. Murray, Pres.



March 13 1950

The Remus Public Library board met in regular session on Monday March 13, 1950 at the Remus Public library. Those present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D.D. Dean, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. K.F. Allman, Mr. Ralph Amsler, and Garland Hardy.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice Pres. Mrs. A. Hopkins. The secy read the minutes of the Feb. meeting. A motion made by G. Hardy and supported by Mrs. Dean to approve the minutes as read was unanimously voted.

The current bills to the amount of \$138.33 were read and reviewed. On motion by G. Hardy and second by R. Amsler was passed the warrant to be drawn on the city treas. Bills follow:—

|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Fendigs Drug store—Books & supplies | 71.01        |
| Electric Service Co.—Light tubes    | 11.00        |
| Doubleday and Co.—Books             | 5.60         |
| Helm and Roth ——— Magazine binding. | 50.72        |
|                                     | <hr/> 138.33 |

Since the last meeting the State Accountants found upon examination that an error had been made, in that a check drawn against the library fund had been charged by the bank against the personal account of the city treas.

The error was corrected by charging this back to the library fund thereby reducing the previously reported balance of \$6330.<sup>00</sup> by \$9.<sup>52</sup>

The librarian reported the article in the paper for rental books in outlying townships has shown results as several new patrons have come into take advantage of the offer.

The chairman of the floor covering committee, Mr. Amsler, reported that he had contacted three firms, Wrights, Hudsons, and Talberts. The John Mansville Co. have already sent their representatives to meet with the board. John Hudson was on hand at this meeting to show his samples. Wrights will meet with the Board in April.



The pres. Edson Murray joined the board just before adjournment being unavoidably detained.

The appointments for 4 years terms, Murray and Amster were certified over to the board. Amster appointed by the Judge. Murray by the City Council.

This month being election time, nominations were called for by the Vice Pres. Mrs. Dean moved the same officers being re-tained another year. Amster supported the motion and it carried unanimously. The officers being. Pres. Edson Murray, Vice Pres. Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, secy Mrs. H. F. Allman.

Meeting was adjourned

Martha E. Hopkins - Vice - Pres.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

April 10, 1950.

The Ann. Public Library Board met in regular session April 10, 1950 at the library. Those present were Mrs. A. Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mr. Edson Murray, G. Hardy

The Pres. E. Murray presided. The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$189.16 for the following:-

|                                               |              |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Fendigo Drug Store - Books & general supplies | \$50.07      |
| Rolland Reid - Door check                     | 141.00       |
| Gaylord Bros. - Office supplies               | 121.40       |
| DeBever News Agency - Periodicals             | 98.20        |
| Farm Bureau - Screen Door & lumber            | 4.49         |
|                                               | <hr/> 189.16 |

were read and passed unanimously.

Mr. Andrews & Swartzell of Wrights, met with the Board. He displayed samples of cork tile, asphalt tile and Armstrong Linotile. He gave information from Armstrong Co. regarding



the floor to be placed under the top floor. The indentation resistance for cork is 40 lbs. Linoleum 200 lbs. rubber tile 200 lbs. asphalt tile 25 lbs. The quietest is cork, 2<sup>nd</sup> is rubber tile, 3<sup>rd</sup> is linoleum, and 4<sup>th</sup> is asphalt tile. Linoleum, rubber tile, and cork compare in price and asphalt is the less expensive.

They advised to cover single floor, as in the library, with hard board such as Armstrongs Temboard or  $\frac{5}{8}$  plywood. Nails should be resin or cement coated, nails placed 6 in. apart and at edges.

9/ sub floor is not tongue and groove cover the floor with  $\frac{5}{32}$  kiln dried tongue and groove flooring not over 3" face and laid at 45° angle. The floor surface is about 270 sq. yards to be covered. There should be no written guarantee on the floor.

The District meeting of Librarians and Trustees was discussed. The meeting will be held April 21<sup>st</sup> at Wells Memorial Library at La Fayette.

Meeting adjourned

Bertha Robinson acting secy.  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

April ~~May~~ 28 1950

~~The Rensselaer Public Library Board held their regular monthly meeting Monday May 8, 1950 at the library.~~

The Rensselaer Library Board met for a called meeting April 28, 1950, at the Res. Library. Those present were, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D.D. Dean, Mrs. K.F. Allman, Garland Hardy, Edna Murray, and Ralph Amos.

The minutes of the regular April meeting were read and approved.

G. Hardy a member of the library floor covering com. reported on the cork flooring.



in the library at La Fayette. The report was unfavorable and was supported by all who attended the District meeting from the Reno library.

Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Hemphill inspected the floors at the North Marian school and at St. Joe college. These floors being asphalt tile. They were favorably impressed.

The Board decided to ask for bids on asphalt tile, rubber tile, linoleum. The floor committee were instructed to make out the specifications to present at the next regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. T. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

May 8, 1950.

The Rensselaer Library Board met in regular session May 8 1950 at the Reno library.

Present were Mrs. A. Hopkins, Mrs. D. W. Dean, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. T. Allman, Garland Hardy.

In the absence of the president the Vice president Mrs. A. Hopkins presided. The minutes of the called meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$61.90 were allowed. Mr. G. Hardy making the motion, Mrs. Robinson supporting. Bills follow:

|                     |                                                |         |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Fendig Drug store — | Books & supplies                               | 41.20   |
| Doubleday and Co. — | Books                                          | 4.20    |
| Funk and Wagnalls — | International yr. Book.                        | 5.30    |
| Remington Rand —    | Loose leaf Binder,<br>Accession sheets, cards. | 11.20   |
|                     | Total                                          | \$61.90 |

Balance on hand \$4960.85

Report on the District meeting held at La Fayette, April 21, 1950 was given. Those in



attendance were Mrs. Hemphill, librarian, Mrs. Seautin, assistant librarian, Mrs. A. Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, and Mr. D. Hardy Board members. The general feeling was that the meeting was well worth while.

The matter of the new floor was put before the meeting by the presiding officer, Mrs. Dean moved that the floor com. D. Hardy and R. Amsler together with the pres. E. Murray be empowered to proceed with the advertising for bids according to the specifications prepared. Mrs. Robinson supported the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Hardy moved the board adjourned Mrs. Dean seconded the motion, The motion passed.

Martha E. Hopkins, Vice - Pres.  
Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

June 26, 1950

The <sup>Public</sup> Pussell Library Board met for the June session the 26<sup>th</sup>. This meeting having been postponed one week for business reasons.

Those present were Murray, Hardy, Amsler, Dean, Robinson, Hopkins, and Allman.

E. Murray presided. The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

A motion To approved the payment of bills on June 19 amounting to \$94.<sup>93</sup> was made by D. Hardy supported by R. Amsler. Carried.

Mrs. Etta Hemphill presented her new certificate for librarian for the boards inspection. It was moved by D. Hardy and seconded by B. Robinson that the certificate be framed and the bill be presented at a regular meeting to be allowed, Motion carried.



The committee for the new library floor opened the bids at this time. The bid by J. F. Kelly Co. was not according to the committee's specifications. John Hudson's bids follow

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Asphalt tile | \$ 2354.80 |
| Lino tile    | \$ 2854.30 |
| Rubber tile  | \$ 3313.30 |

Edwards Department store

|             |                        |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Asphalt     | \$ 1740. <sup>00</sup> |
| Lino tile   | \$ 2405. <sup>00</sup> |
| Rubber tile | \$ 3040. <sup>85</sup> |

A motion by R. Amster and supported by A. Robinson that we use lino tile was carried unanimously.

Also a motion by the same members that a dead line of Aug. 15-50 be set for the laying of the floor. carried.

The com. said the interpretation of the specification meant 15 lb. felt paper and lino cement thus floor, cement, paper, cement then lino tile. The regular 10% bond check required with bid. Color of tile imperial red.

It was decided to take the lowest bid if he would carry out the above interpretations of specifications. The com. to take charge of the letting of the bid.

Meeting adjourned.

J. E. Murray, Pres.

Wm. H. F. Allman secy.

The bills allowed.

|                                        |           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| H. W. Wilson & Co. Current Biography   | \$ 5.00   |
| Lies News Agency Chicago Tribune 6 mo. | \$ 7.50   |
| Floyd Myers Insurance premium          | \$ 57.82  |
| D. D. Dean                             | \$ 69.07  |
| Fending Drug Store Books & sundries    | \$ 65.54  |
|                                        | \$ 204.93 |



July 10, 1950

The Aunselaur Public Library Board held their regular meeting Monday July 10, 1950 in the library. Members present were Edson Murray Pres., Mrs. A. Hopkins, Bertha Robinson, Ralph Amser.

Mr. Murray explained that the floor covering in the rest room will cost extra, the same rate per sq. yard - and the tile in the color we desired come only in 12 x 12 tiles.

The following bills were read and allowed.

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Fendigs Drug Store Books               | \$ 18.39 |
| Farm Bureau - Lumber for coal bin.     | \$ 7.29  |
| Richard Dykema Labor                   | \$ 26.50 |
| Jasper Co. Mews adv. for kids on floor | \$ 5.38  |
| Rev. Republican " " " "                | 5.62     |
| American Corp. year book. 1950         | 5.00     |
| Bruenshan Implement Co. Coal           | \$ 28.72 |
| Total.                                 | \$ 96.90 |

Mrs. Hopkins moved and R. Amser supported the motion that these bills be paid. carried.

The com. reported the satisfactory acceptance, by Edwards Department Store, of the terms of the contract for the new library floor. A motion was made by R. Amser and seconded by Mrs. A. Hopkins that the contract for the floor be let to Edwards Department Store. Motion carried.

A letter was read from the W<sup>m</sup> Henry Smith memorial library of the Historical Society regarding placing the collection of papers of Gen. Milroy and his father Samuel Milroy in the above institution. A motion was made by R. Amser & seconded by Mrs. Arthur Hopkins that we keep the records here. The motion carried.

The Aunselaur Public School is again starting a library and have asked to have all books turned over to this Public library in 1904 returned



Mrs. Hopkins made a motion which B. Robinson seconded that such volumes brought into the Rens. Public library from the school library be returned to the school. Volumes in surplus of agriculture books on the library shelves be given to the Public school library. This motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Bertha Robinson acting secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.

Aug. 2, 1950.

Rensselaer Public Library Board met Aug. 2, 1950 at the library in a called meeting.

Present were Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed. Robinson Mr. Edson Murray and Mr. Ralph Amshur.

The purpose of this called meeting was to discuss and approve the budget for 1951.

Mr. Amshur made a motion to set the budget at \$15,200.<sup>00</sup> Mrs. Dean seconded the motion & it carried.

Meeting adjourned

B. Robinson acting secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.

August 14 1950

The Rensselaer Library Board met in regular session Aug. 14, 1950 at the Rens. Public Library.

Those present were E. Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson Mrs. H. F. Allman and H. Hardy.

The minutes of the regular meeting and called meeting were read and approved by the board.

A motion to pay the regular bills was made by H. Hardy and second by Mrs. Robinson was carried. The bills follow:



|                                        |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Oregory Bower Co. Repairing typewriter | 23.00          |
| Michael Plumbing Co. Work on Radiator  | 12.96          |
| Ed Moore + Clifford Bramble cleaning   | 38.10          |
| Etha Hemphill Sundries                 | 16.71          |
| Edwards Dept. Store Floor + Labor      | 434.73.91      |
|                                        | <u>2564.68</u> |

With the approval of R. Amster of the floor committee the board will accept the new floor and order the bill paid. This motion was made by G. Hardy and supported by B. Robinson. It carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Robinson that we purchase 2 additional boxes of matching linotile for mending purposes. There are 54 - 12 in squares in a box and the cost is \$25.00. G. Hardy seconded and the motion carried.

Mrs. Hopkins moved and Bertha Robinson seconded the motion that the certified check posted by Mr. Ed. Blumenthal be returned. This motion carried.

The question of new library lighting was brought up and the President appointed G. Hardy and Bertha Robinson a committee to investigate new lights for the library auditorium.

The meeting was adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.

Sept. 11, 1950

The Rensselaer Public Library board met in regular session at the Rensselaer Public Library Sept. 11, 1950.

Those present were G. E. Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. K. F. Allman, Darland Hardy, and Ralph Amster.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

G. Hardy moved and Mrs. Dean seconded the motion that the bills for the month past be paid. Motion carried. Bills follow:



|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Helm and Hoth - Binding books -       | 33.00        |
| Peckley and Cardy - Books             | 16.40        |
| Arthur B. Dan --                      | 12.00        |
| A. W. Wilson Co. -- subscriptions     | 45.40        |
| Haywood Pub. Co. Budget forms         | 1.80         |
| Double day & Co. Books                | 7.60         |
| Fending Drug Store - Books & supplies | 51.71        |
| Patricia Puth Vacation help --        | 10.50        |
|                                       | <hr/> 178.41 |

G. Hardy presented a request from the Public School librarian to borrow books for school reading. Books to be returned after one month. The librarians to make a double check on books loaned & returned.

A. Amster made a motion that the Russell Public Library loan books to the Public School library as per book lists furnished by teachers. Books to be circulated according to the Public Library rules. The school be responsible for their care and return. Monthly reports to be made and a fair trial given the plan.

G. Hardy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dean moved the meeting adjourn. A. Amster seconded. It carried.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.

Oct. 9, 1950

Russell Public Library board met for regular meeting Oct. 9, 1950. G. E. Murray, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, and Mrs. H. F. Allman were present. This not being a ~~quorum~~ quorum no business could be transacted the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman, secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.



Nov. 13, 1950

The Board of the Rensselaer Public Library held their regular meeting Nov. 13, 1950 at the Public Library. Those present were; Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. K. F. Allman, L. Hardy & Edson Murray.

Bills for Oct. ordered paid. Motion by L. Hardy and supported by <sup>Mrs.</sup> Ed. Robinson. The amount \$250.86

Bills for Nov. amounting to \$182.79 were presented. L. Hardy moved they be paid Mrs. Ed Robinson seconded. It carried.

Report of New Lighting for the Library was made by Mrs. Robinson and L. Hardy. No definite information yet received. Com. ordered to continue till next meeting.

The report of the State Library meeting and the Library Trustees meeting held in Indianapolis Nov. 3-4-5 was given by the delegate Mrs. K. F. Allman. Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

L. E. Murray Pres.



Dec. 11, 1950

The Rensselaer Library Board met in regular meeting at the Public Library Dec. 11, 1950

Those present were. Mr. Edson Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mr. Ralph Amster, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, and Mrs. K. F. Allman.

The following bills were read and allowed:

|                                               |        |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|
| Fendig's Drug Store Books & Supplies          | 8.42   |
| Daylords Bros. General Supplies               | 6.30   |
| Michael Plumbing Co. Labor on furnace chimney | 6.35   |
| Remington Rand Inc. Book Stack                | 371.25 |
| Sige News Agency Tribune 6 mo.                | 7.50   |
| Total                                         | 399.82 |

Amster moved & Mrs. Hopkins sec. that the above bills be paid. Motion carried.

The com. on new library lights reported that a Mr. Docket from the General Electric Co. inspected the library and will send his recommendation and price at an early date.

It was suggested that a Xmas flower for the Library be purchased. Mrs. Robinson moved and Mrs. Hopkins sec. It carried.

No further business was presented so the meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.  
 E. E. Murray Pres  
 Jan. 8, 1951

The Rensselaer Public Library met Jan. 8, 1951 for their regular monthly meeting. Those present were E. E. Murray, pres. Garland Hardy, Ralph Amster, Mrs. W. D. Dean, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. K. F. Allman.

The minutes of the Dec. 1950 meeting were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$210.41 were



presented. Mr. Hardy moved and Mrs. Hopkins seconded the motion that the bills be paid and an order drawn on the treas. The motion carried.

The Librarian, Mrs. Hemphill, and the assistant Mrs. Seantlin thanked the board for their Xmas corsages.

As water has been coming into the basement of the library it was decided by the board to have the Librarian call the plumber Mr. DeYoung to investigate.

As there was no further business the meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray Pres. Mrs. R. F. Allman Secy.

January 8, 1951. Bills.

|                         |                           |              |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Fending Drug Store      | Books —                   | 127.31       |
| Frank Gains             | Cleaning & waxing floor — | 20.00        |
| R. Dykema               | Labor & material —        | 4.40         |
| G. E. Murray            | 50 rolls of paper —       | 5.00         |
| Harne Bros.             | Indiana Map —             | 37.50        |
| American Library Assn.  | Dues. Booklist —          | 5.00         |
| Ind. Historical Society | dues. —                   | 3.00         |
| Double day & Co.        | Books —                   | 4.20         |
| Electrical Service Co.  | Rubber Mat —              | 4.00         |
|                         |                           | <hr/> 210.41 |



Feb. 12, 1951.

The Rensselaer Public Library board met at the Public Library in regular meeting Feb. 12 1951.

Those present were Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed R. Amshur, Robinson, Mr. Garland Hardy, and Mrs. H. F. Allman.

In the absence of the Pres. and Vice pres. the secy, Mrs. H. F. Allman presided.

The minutes of the Jan. meeting were read and approved. Bills of Feb. 12 were presented. D. Hardy moved and Mrs. Robinson seconded the motion that these bills be p.d. It carried.

A report on the drainage situation was given by Mr. D. Hardy. He recommended the there is need of new fill in front of the Library, take out the shrubs and have the roof pointed, trim the tree on the north of Library. Mrs. Dean moved that Mr. Hardy & R. Amshur be a com. to attend to the ~~grounds~~ grounds need of the Library. Seconded by Mrs. Robinson. It carried.

Motion by R. Amshur that the Library advertise for bids on the new lights according to the General Electric specifications. Mrs. Dean seconded. It carried.

The bills.

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Fending Drug Store Books & supplies | 72.02       |
| Jasper Co. News. 1 yr. Subscription | 2.00        |
| Shedd Floral Co. 1 poinsettia       | 3.00        |
| " " " 2 corsages                    | 4.10        |
|                                     | <hr/> 71.12 |

Mrs. H. F. Allman acting Pres. Feb. 12  
Mrs. H. F. Allman Secy.

P. S. Mr. Garland Hardy was reappointed for four years by the school Board. Mrs. H. F. Allman was reappointed for four years by the Judge of the Court. Their credentials were presented in good order and accepted. The yr. starts in March.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy & Pres.



Feb. 20, 1951.

The Russell Public Library board met in a called meeting to act on the bids for the new light in the Library. Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Robinson, W. Hardy and A. Amelur were present.

By motion of W. Hardy and second R. Amelur the lowest bid was accepted. That being Ashelman's of \$2800.<sup>00</sup> Myers bid was \$2825.<sup>00</sup>

The Ashelman electrical co. were notified Feb. 24.

Bertha Robinson Secy, Pro Tem.

March 12, 1951.

The Russell Public Library Board members met in regular meeting at the Russ. Public Library March 12, 1951.

Those present were Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman, and Mr. Garland Hardy.

In the absence of the pres. and V. pres. the secy Mrs. H. F. Allman presided.

The minutes of the Feb. regular meeting and called meeting were read. Moved by W. Hardy and seconded by Mrs. Robinson that the minutes be approved. The motion carried.

Current bills of \$119.73 were approved. Motion by W. Hardy and second Mrs. Dean.

W. Hardy ch. of the grounds com. reported on the removal of shrubs and that the black dirt refill was ordered.

B. Robinson moved that a furnace man be called to appraise the old furnace to sell. Also take the useless floor register out and cover the space with Lin's tile like the rest of the floor. Mrs. Dean gave a second to the motion. It carried.

The incumbent officers were re-elected for another year. Mr. Edson Murray president, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins Vice Pres. Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.



Mrs. Hemphill treated the board members with a box of delicious candy.

Mrs. H. F. Allman acting Pres.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

April 9-1951

The Pens. Library Board members met for regular session at the Pens. Public Library April 9-51. Those present being Mr. Edson Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed Robinson, and Mr. Garland Hardy.

Minutes of the March 12 meeting were read and approved.

Bills following were allowed.

|                                          |        |
|------------------------------------------|--------|
| Fendigs Drug store                       | 34.16  |
| A. C. Myers - wiring & Thermostat repair | 3.75   |
| Michel Plumbing Co. Repair of pipe       | 1.10   |
| Warner hardware store Rate               | 1.69   |
| Deaver news agency                       | 99.95  |
| Campbell Printing Co. Warrant Blanks.    | 12.75  |
| Doubleday Pub. Co. Books.                | 2.80   |
| Total                                    | 209.22 |

The above bills were approved and motion passed - Mrs. Dean and Mr. Hardy.

The district meeting of Librarian and trustees will be held April 13 at Frankfort, Those wishing to attend are to notify Mrs. Hemphill by Wed. April 11.

Mr. Hardy reported that all wiring has been done for the new lighting system for the Library until the fixtures arrive which are expected



soon. The wiring is to enter the building now from the back and the cost has been greater than thought.

Mr. Hardy also reported he had called several furnace men and none seemed anxious to remove the old furnace. The opinion is that perhaps we could advertise the furnace for sale.

The meeting was adjourned.

Bertha Robinson  
acting secy.

G. E. Murray Pres

May 14, 1951.

The Reno Public Library Board met in regular session Monday May 14, 1951. Present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Garland Hardy, and Edson Murray.

The president Edson Murray opened the meeting. The minutes were read by the secy. They were approved. Mrs. Arthur Hopkins making the motion, G. Hardy the second.

Current bills were presented:

|                                       |   |              |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------------|
| Fendigs Drug store - Books + sundries | — | 41.47        |
| Brusnahan Implement Co. coal          | — | 43.44        |
| Hahn + Roth rebinding + binding       | — | 57.39        |
|                                       |   | <hr/> 140.08 |

Motion by G. Hardy and a second by Mrs. A. Hopkins that bills be approved and an order be drawn on the treas. Motion carried.

Motion by G. Hardy + a second by Mrs. A. Hopkins to hire Jimmie Cooper to tar and care for the library roof as usual. Motion carried.

G. Hardy reported the old furnace from the library basement was sold and removed. For Skeldon buying same for \$25.<sup>00</sup>

The librarian, Mrs. Etta Hemphil reported the unused register at the end of two of the book stacks has been closed and line tile placed on it to match the floor. Also book stacks have been put



in line with others.

Moved that effective 1952 or as soon as possible the employees of the Reno. Pub. Library be put on social security. Motion made by G. Hardy & a second by Mrs. A. Hopkins. Motion carried.

The board decided to give the librarian the regular month vacation with an additional 2 weeks which is to compensate for time not taken last year because of remodeling. The assistant librarian was given regular 3 weeks with 1 extra week for same cause. This extra time for 1951 only.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

June, 11, 1951.

The Reno. Public Library Board met in regular meeting June 11, 1951. Present were Garland Hardy, Edson Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, and Mrs. H. F. Allman.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved.

G. Hardy moved the current bills be allowed and paid. Second to the motion by Mrs. A. Hopkins. Motion carried.

Motion that the 3 existing windows in the coal bin be bricked up and a new coal shoot be placed in the center. Hardy & Hopkins carried. Also included in this motion was the rider that an automatic damper be placed in the flue.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres



July 9, 1951.

The Russell Library Board of the Reno Public Library met July 9, 1951

Present Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D.D. Dean, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Mrs. T. F. Allman, Ralph Amaler, Edson Murray.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Old business: A letter read from H. Hardy on price list for ceiling blocks, acoustical blocks at 24¢ at 12 in. block. Plain 12¢.

Motion by Mrs. Ed Robinson to have Ralph Amaler see the Day contractors about pointing up the roof of the library, second by Mrs. Dean, carried.

Current bills amounting to \$579.06 were moved paid by Mrs. Robinson, second Ralph Amaler, carried.

Moved that the payment of \$2.00, on the new lights be paid to Eiskalman Electric Co. Dean & Hopkins, carried.

Mrs. Ed Robinson commissioned to go to lumber yards for ceiling squares

Mrs. Hemphill authorized to advertise for sale at \$10.00 each for the 12 light fixtures discarded by the installation of new lights.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. T. F. Allman secy.  
J. E. Murray Pres.



Aug. 3, 1951

The Reno Public Library Board met for their ~~regular~~ meeting Aug. 3, 1951. This being Friday instead of Monday the regular day. The purpose of the change was the need to study the new budget.

Those present were, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Ralph Amster and Edson Murray.

The minutes of the July meeting were read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$1255.42 were presented & included was the final payment for the new lighting system same payment being \$1092.13. This included \$292.03 additional work above original contract. Mrs. Robinson moved that these bills be paid, Mrs. Hopkins supported the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Bills follow: —

|                                        |                 |               |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| E. J. Murphy Insurance Agency Premium. | —               | \$146.10      |
| Haywood Pub. Co.                       | Budget forms    | 1.30          |
| Doubleday & Co.                        | Book            | 1.40          |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | Office supplies | 7.40          |
| Ind. Library Trustees                  | Wages           | 2.00          |
| Modern Electric Co.                    | Balance due.    | 1092.13       |
| Fending Drug Store                     | Books           | 5.09          |
|                                        |                 | <hr/> 1255.42 |

Mrs. Robinson reported on the library ceiling project. The measurements being 48-58 ft. The  $\frac{1}{2}$  in ceiling blocks are priced at 12¢ & the acoustic blocks at 18-19¢. The report was accepted and tabled for the present.

The Public Employees retirement fund



and state agency for Federal Old Age and survival Insurance was voted by the Board for the library employees, Motion made by Mrs. Robinson & a second by Mrs. Hopkins, carried.

H 12870  
The City Att. John Hopkins met with the Board and explained the budget plan for 1952, The budget was prepared and signed.  
Meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

Sept. 10, 1951,

The Reno. Public Library Board held their regular Sept. meeting at the Reno. Public Library. Present were Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. D. W. Dean, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Mr. G. Edson Murray, Mr. Garland Hardy, and Mr. Ralph Amaler. 100%.

The Aug. minutes were read and approved. A motion was made that the Library carry Public Liability to the amount 50 - 1,000,000. R. Amaler & Hardy. motion carried.

Motion that the Library carry workmans compensation. Same to be included with the City policy and payable with that audit. Hardy & Amaler. carried.

Motion by G. Hardy that the Treas. of Library funds be bonded for 10,000. second Amaler. vote carried.

Motion that the Library have an insurance survey. Hardy & Dean. motion Carried.

R. Amaler moved a swivel chair no. 71920 1/2 at \$15.75 be purchased for the Library dept. Hardy gave the second. Vote carried.

R. Amaler moved the Board buy a new set of 'World Books'. Mrs. Robinson supported the motion. The motion was lost.

Motion to allow the Librarians one afternoon



each a week. To be arranged by the Librarian.  
The library service to continue as usual.  
Hardy & Robinson. motion carried.

Motion that the bills for Sept. be paid.  
Robinson & Dean. carried.

|                        |                        |              |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Fendig Drug Store      | Books                  | 47.82        |
| Charles M. Gardner Co. | "                      | 63.36        |
| H. W. Wilson & Co.     | "                      | 29.00        |
| Funk & Wagnalls        | Book-International yr. | 6.25         |
| Fred Dykema            | carpentry & labor      | 64.70        |
| Rens. Republican       | Printing budget        | 33.78        |
| Jasper Co. News        | " "                    | 34.63        |
| Patricia Puth          | Vacation help.         | 29.75        |
| Public Liability       |                        | 12.40        |
| Banding of Treas.      |                        | 25.00        |
|                        |                        | <hr/> 346.69 |

The meeting adjourned.

L. E. Murray Pres. Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

Oct. 8, 1951

The Rens. Public Library Board met for their regular session at the Public Library Oct. 8, 1951. Present were, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. D. D. Dean, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Mr. L. E. Edeon Murray.

The minutes of Sept. meeting were read and approved.

On motion by Mrs. Robinson and a second by Mrs. Dean the current bills amounting to \$366.01 were ordered paid. Motion carried.

|                       |                             |       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| Fendig Drug Store     | Books & supplies            | 82.17 |
| H. W. Wilson & Co.    | "                           | 7.00  |
| Charles Gardner & Co. | "                           | 92.06 |
| Buckley - Candy Co.   | "                           | 7.97  |
| Jasper Co. Co-op      | Repair screen               | 2.80  |
| Edwards Dept. Store   | Remove grill & repair floor | 28.70 |
| Michael Plumbing Co.  | water pipes & furnace       | 92.23 |



|                                                |              |
|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Dean Insurance Agency Bond for Treas. \$10,000 | 25.00        |
| Knaub Ins. Agency Premium Pub. Liability       | 12.00        |
| Hopkins Ins. Co. 5,000 on building             | 9.83         |
| Dayland Bros. supplies                         | 8.25         |
|                                                | <hr/> 366.01 |

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. R. F. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

Nov. 12, 1951.

The Rensselaer Library Board met at the regular time with, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Dean, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Ameln, Mrs. Hopkins, and Mrs. Robinson present.

Mr. Geo. Lorick met with the Board to discuss the insurance survey of the Library and the additional amount necessary for proper coverage of the building & contents. His appraisal made by Mr. Roberts of the Travellers Ins. for the amount ~~48,000.~~ The ins. to cover the 80% necessary is ~~40,000.~~ Our present ins. is \$39,000. He recommended ins. to cover loss of property & personal injury to anyone.

Mr. Hardy moved that we purchase \$50,000.00 boiler ins. broad form \$43.48 for 3 yrs. & that we place the policy with Mr. Gerich. The motion was seconded by R. Ameln & carried. A vandalism & malicious mischief clause being added to the ins. policy was made in a motion by R. Ameln. See. by Mrs. Hopkins & passed.

Bills for the month were as follows:

|                                           |              |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Fendig Drug Store - Books & gen. supplies | 116.60       |
| Eshleman's modern Electric Repair switch. | 2.80         |
| Gregory Bover Typewriter repair.          | 25.00        |
| Ed M. Moore - Kalk Hord for windows       | 4.76         |
| Katherine Hammond - Vacation help         | 3.00         |
|                                           | <hr/> 152.16 |



motion made by G. Hardy & sec. by Mrs. Dean to pay these bills. The motion carried.

Mrs. Hemphil gave a short report on the 1st. Library Assn. & 1st. Library Trustees meeting at the Lincoln Hotel in Indianapolis.

Bertha Robinson acting  
secy for Mrs. Allman.  
G. E. Murray Pres

Dec. 10, 1951.

The Reno. Public Library Trustees met Monday Dec. 10 in the Reno. Pub. Library for regular meeting. Those present were: Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Mrs. Ed Robinson, and Mrs. H. F. Allman.

A motion by G. Hardy that the Dec. bills be paid and an order drawn on the Treas. Second by Mrs. Robinson. Motion carried.

Bills as follows:—

|                                             |              |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Fendigs Drug Store - Books & supplies       | 97.63        |
| H. W. Wilson & Co. --- Current Biography.   | 6.00         |
| Doubleday & Co. --- Books                   | 4.20         |
| John S. Winston & Co. --- Books             | 2.00         |
| Charles Gardner & Co. --- Books.            | 8.82         |
| American Library Assn. Booklist             | 5.00         |
| Sigo News agency --- Chi. Tribune.          | 15.50        |
| Masper Co. News --- subscription 1 yr.      | 2.50         |
| Modern Binding Corps - Book binding         | 23.80        |
| Etta Hemphil --- Supplies & Convention exp. | 29.50        |
|                                             | <hr/> 194.95 |

On report from the Librarian it was found the floor at the entrance to the auditorium down stairs needed some repair. Mr. Hardy moved this be done. Second by Mrs. Robinson, carried.

No further business so meeting  
adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres. Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.



Jan. 14, 1952.

The Rens. Public Library Board met at the Rens. Public Library Jan. 14, 1952. Present were: Mr. Murray, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman and R. Amaler.

Min. were read & approved. A motion by Mrs. Robinson & sec. by R. Amaler that the month bill be paid. motion carried.

Bills follow:

|                               |                             |               |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Stockton Landng Service. .... | Cleaning & waxing the floor | 20.00         |
| Remington Rand. ....          | swivel desk chair.          | 49.00         |
| Helm and Hoth. ....           | Rebinding books.            | 25.20         |
| Doubleday & Co. ....          | Books                       | 15.25         |
| Jean Carr & Co. ....          | "                           | 16.84         |
| Chas. M. Gardner & Co. ....   | "                           | 7.25          |
| Fendigs Drug Store. ....      | Books & supplies.           | 47.26         |
| Ind. Historical Society. .... | Dues.                       | 3.00          |
| American Library Assn. ....   | "                           | 6.00          |
| Ind. Library Trustees. ....   | "                           | 3.00          |
|                               |                             | <u>187.81</u> |

Insurance, Vandalism & Malicious Mischief

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Dean Ins. Co.    | .86         |
| Woodworth Agency | 3.68        |
| Chas. Murphy     | 3.64        |
| Emmett Lakut     | .38         |
| Floyd Meyers     | <u>1.57</u> |
|                  | 10.13       |

On Jan 1952 payable at the end of each month the new salary scale will be: Librarian \$225.<sup>00</sup> a month. Assistant Librarian \$150.<sup>00</sup> Janitor \$50.<sup>00</sup> no raise. These salaries as per budget.

It was found that the auditorium floor could not be permanently fixed till spring when the drainage can be taken care of.  
Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.



Feb. 11, 1952.

The Rens. Library Board met at the  
Library Feb. 11, 1952. Present were: Mrs. Dean

Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs.  
Mrs. Hardy

The minutes of the last meeting were  
approved.

read  
B.  
Jun  
Imp  
Me  
Ame  
Nati  
Dor  
Fen

Mrs.  
do  
No

20.00  
49.00  
25.00  
15.00  
16.00  
7.00  
4.25  
3.00  
6.00  
3.00  
18.00

RENSSELAER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RENSSELAER, INDIANA

Bills allowed October 10th, 1955.

Follett Library Book Co. .... Books ..... 12.76  
J, Holcomb Mfg Co. .... Supplies ..... 9.50  
Gaylord Bros ..... Supplies ..... 26.40  
Wm. Woodworth ..... Insurance Premium .. 74.16  
Abslom Lattimore ..... Smoke Pipe (Furnace) 16.95  
Fendig Drug Store ..... Books ..... 86.57

\$ 226.34

meeting Feb. 11, 1952.  
The Board met for the purpose of  
reviewing Mr. Robinson's findings.

Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Allman, and Mr. Hardy.

A motion by Mrs. Robinson to employ  
Dy/Kema Co. to repair brick and stone work +  
paint building. G. Hardy seconded this motion. It  
carried.

Since the work requires the tearing down  
of the cornice before extent of repair work can



Feb. 11, 1952.

The Reno. Library Board met at the Library Feb. 11, 1952. Present were: Mrs. Dean, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Allman, Mr. Murray, Mr. Hardy.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bills of:

|                             |                  |              |
|-----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Juno Products Co. . . .     | Books            | 18.35        |
| Import Publications . . .   | "                | 5.00         |
| Michael Plumbing            | Swab mop.        | 1.75         |
| American Annual 1951        | Books            | 5.00         |
| National Geographic Society | "                | 7.50         |
| Doubleday & Co. . . .       | Books            | 9.33         |
| Fendig Drug Store           | Booker supplies. | 71.85        |
|                             |                  | <hr/> 112.78 |

A motion of D. Hardy and a second by Mrs. Robinson that bills be paid. motion carried.

Mr. Donnelly met with the board and decided to make an estimate on ceiling blocks and fixing roof.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray Pres.

Called meeting Feb. 18, 1952.

The president of the Reno. Library Board ordered a called meeting Feb. 18, 1952 for the purpose of reviewing Mr. Donnelly's findings.

Those present were, Mr. Murray, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Allman, and Mr. Hardy.

A motion by Mrs. Robinson to employ Dykema Co. to repair brick and stone work & point building. D. Hardy seconded this motion. It carried.

Since the work requires the tearing down of the cornice before extent of repair work can



be determined it is impossible to get bids. The city attorney gave as his advise that the work could be done on a time basis.

A motion by Mr. Hardy; If the present janitor cares to drop his social security the board will raise his salary from \$50.<sup>00</sup> to \$60.<sup>00</sup> a month. second by Mrs. Hopkins. carried.

Mrs. Hopkins moved that some patch plastering be done in the auditorium. Second by Mrs. Robinson. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman Secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

March 10, 1952

The Amoslan Public Library Board met in regular session Monday March 10, 1952.

Those present were: Bertha Robinson, Katherine Hammond, Esther Allman, Ralph Amoslan and Garland Hardy.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The current bills as follows were allowed Motion by Robinson second Hammond

|                          |                   |              |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Fendig Drug Store -      | Books & supplies  | 58.74        |
| Childrens Book Council - | Posters & cards   | 6.70         |
| Daylord Bros. -          | Office Supplies   | 14.25        |
| Richard Dykema -         | Labor on coal bin | 5.90         |
| Blackfriars Press -      | Books             | 5.40         |
| Zorich Insurance Co. -   | Premium           | 143.72       |
| G. E. Murray Co.         | Paper             | 114          |
|                          |                   | <hr/> 235.85 |

It was moved by Ralph Amoslan that we raise the janitors salary from \$50.<sup>00</sup> a month to \$65.<sup>00</sup> as he requested. Second by Katherine Hammond passed.

H. Hammond was appointed the new member on the board. Her appointment being thru the school



board. Mrs. R.D. Deans term having expired. The term is for four years.

The board members terms stand as follows; -

|                    |              |      |
|--------------------|--------------|------|
| Robinson + Hopkins | - '49 To '53 | Jan. |
| Ameler + Murray    | '50 To '54   | "    |
| Hardy + Allman     | '51 To '55   | "    |
| Hammond            | 52 To 56     | "    |

As March is the time for election of officers this matter was then taken up by the board. The result by unanimous vote was and is: Edson Murray President.

Mrs. Arthur Hopkins Vice President.

Eather Allman secy.

No further business was forthcoming so the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

April, 14, 1952

The Reno. Public Library Board met in regular meeting April, 14, 1952, in the Reno. Public Library.

Those present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. M. Hammond, Mrs. H. F. Allman, and Darland Hardy.

In the absence of the president Mr. Edson Murray, Mrs. Hopkins presided.

Min. were read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$204.75 were presented and allowed, motion + second Hammond and Robinson.

Mrs. Hemphil the Librarian read the invitation to the District meeting to be held in Woodland. The library will be closed that day to let the employees attend.



april bills

Mo. H. F. Allman secy.

May, 12, 1952.

The Reno. Library board of the Reno. Public Library met in regular meeting May 12, 1952 at the Reno. Pub. Library.

Those present were: Mrs. M. Hammond, Mr. Ed Robinson, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Edson Murray, Garland Hardy.

The minutes were read and approved. Hardy and Hammond.

Mrs. Hemphill, the librarian, explained the reading course for the children up to the sixth grade. The course is called, "Let's Play Indian". Materials for 100 readers for a six weeks course will cost \$35.<sup>00</sup>

The Reno. Garden club was invited to hold their spring flower show in the Library Auditorium June 1st.

Bills allowed follow:



Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

June, 9, 1952.

As there was no quorum no business could be transacted. Mrs. Arthur Hopkins and Mrs. H. F. Allman were the members present.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.  
J. E. Murray Pres.

July 14, 1952.

The members of the Reno. Library Board met in regular meeting July 14, 1952, at the Reno. Public Library.

Those present were, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amaker, Edson Murray.

The min. of the May & June meetings were read and approved.

The bills for June and July were approved and ordered paid, motion made by R. Amaker and Mrs. Arthur Hopkins.

Bills for June 9:

|                       |                  |        |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
| Findigs Drug Store... | Books & supplies | 251.76 |
| Murray Dept. Store... | Paper Towels     | 10.83  |



|                           |                                   |              |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Sturgis Printing Co. .... | Complete Indian Reading Club Unit | 35.00        |
| H. W. Wilson Co. ...      | Periodical Subscription.          | 51.40        |
| Campbell Printing Co.     | Registration Cards                | 5.75         |
|                           |                                   | <hr/> 354.74 |

Bills for July 14, 1952.

|          |                                               |                  |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|
|          | Fending Drug Store -- Books & supplies        | 107.82           |
|          | Daylord Bros. -- General supplies             | 28.45            |
|          | Hahn and Hoth ... Bookbinding                 | 6.02             |
|          | Dixie cups for Reading club party             | <del>12.20</del> |
| \$5,000  | - Vandalism & Malicious mischief Ins. (Knaut) | 83.44            |
| \$10,000 | - Fire ins. Standard & Fire ins. (Hapkins)    | 140.48           |
|          |                                               | <hr/> 368.41     |

Mrs. Hemphill, librarian, gave a report on the book reading course. There were 60 who started and 35 who graduated. To graduate 12 books had to be read and reported on. There was a fine response from Marion Twp.

The two reading the most books were: Larry Pullins who read 38 books and Mary R. Fitzpatrick who read 32. A party closed this course with diplomas given to 35. A puppet show and ice cream for all the 46 who attended proved the worth of the whole summer course.

The Spring flower show of the Garden Club was quite successful. Over 200 attended. Many from the surrounding towns and all were very complimentary to the appearance of the library.

As this is the meeting before the budget letting the Board acted on those items which required their action. The salaries of the Librarian and her assistant were raised \$300.00 each making them \$3,000.00 for the Librarian and \$2,100.00 for the assistant. The janitors salary is \$780.00 moved by Amsher & Hardy. The above and all other



items of the budget were approved - (B. Robinson)

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned

Mo. K. T. Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray Pres

September 8, 1952.

The regular Sept. meeting of the Reno. Public library board was held at the Library Sept, 8, 1952. Those present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins and Mrs. Ed Robinson. The minutes of the June + July meetings were read & approved. There was no regular meeting of the Library board for the month of August.

Bills for Sept. as follows: - Mr. Hardy moved these bills be allowed. The motion was sec. by Mrs. Robinson. It carried.

The Board recommended that Mrs. Hemphil attend the State Library meeting to be held in Ft. Wayne to be held 8-9-10 of Oct.

Extra help will be employed during this time. The Board members were assessed \$1. each for flowers sent to Mr. + Mrs. Arthur Hopkins on their Golden Wedding day.

Bertha Robinson acting secy.

|                                           |        |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| Amsailan Republican                       | 33.52  |
| Jasper Co. Mus                            | 33.52  |
| Knaub Insurance                           | 14.50  |
| Haywood Pub. Co. Budget Books             | 1.18   |
| Funk + Wagnalls - International yr. Books | 5.60   |
| Watson Plumbing Co.                       | 3.25   |
| Hickman - Rebinding                       | 23.00  |
| Funding Drug Store                        | 40.13  |
| Vacation Help                             | 21.50  |
| Pickard Dykma Repairs on roof             | 947.75 |



October 13, 1952.

The Russ. Public Library Board held their regular meeting Oct. 13, 1952 in the Library. Those present were: Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Maurice Hammond.

Minutes for Sept. were approved. Bills for Oct. of \$207.57 were presented. Mrs. Hopkins moved, + Mr. Hardy seconded the motion to pay the bills. It carried.

Mrs. Etta Kempf, Librarian, became ill the 30<sup>th</sup> of Sept. and was unable to attend the State Library convention Oct. 8-9-10. at Ft. Wayne. Mrs. Kathryn Hammond is substituting by the request of the Library Board.

Meeting adjourned

Bills allowed Oct. 13 1952.

|                      |                      |           |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Fendig Drug Store -- | Books + supplies     | \$ 132.85 |
| E. M. Hale + Co. --  | Admus Books          | \$ 47.82  |
| Dorbleday + Co. Inc. | Books --             | 2.92      |
| Kathryn Hammond ...  | 32 hrs. thru Oct. 11 | 24.00     |
|                      | at .75 an hr.        | \$ 207.57 |

G. E. Murray Pres



Nov. 10, 52

The members of the Pinnaslar Public Library met in regular session at the Public Library. Those present were Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson Mrs. M. Hammond Mrs. K. F. Allman, Mr. G. Hardy, Ralph Amster and Edson Murray.

The min. of the Oct. meeting were read and ~~amended~~ approved.

Bills of \$137.<sup>22</sup> were presented, a motion by G. Hardy and R. Amster was passed.

Beginning Jan. 1, 1953 there will be sick leave of 6 days a year accumulative to 60 days. This to be used in case of sickness or death in the family. These rules applies to the Librarian and her assistant.

Family consisting of Father, mother, husband, and wife, brother, sister, son or daughter. Moved by Hardy second by Amster, carried.

The matter of an adding machine was brought before the board. R. Amster appointed to work with the Librarian to purchase one same.

Mrs. Kempell, the Librarian was in attendance after her sickness.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres.

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

Bills:

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Children's Book Council     | 6.10         |
| Doubleday & Co.             | 1.40         |
| E. M. Hale & Co.            | 1.20         |
| Michaill Plumbing Co.       | 1.00         |
| Fending Drug Store          | 81.02        |
| Extra help, Kathryn Hammond | 46.50        |
|                             | <hr/> 137.22 |



Dec. 8, 1953.

The Rensselaer Public Library board met at The Rensselaer Public Library Monday Dec. 8, 1953 for their regular meeting.

Those present were: Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. M. Hammond, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Edson Murray, Ralph Amster and Garland Hardy.

Mins. of Nov. were read and corrected and approved.

Bill amounting to ~~326.79~~ <sup>438.29</sup> moved by Robinson and second by Hammond, carried.

|                        |                                        |              |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------|
| Doubleday & Co. Inc.   | Books                                  | 10.00        |
| Arthur Gau             |                                        | 12.50        |
| E. M. Hale & Co.       | "                                      | 3.66         |
| Talbert & Schaab       | Belotry Board.                         | 1.20         |
| Campbells Printing Co. | Book Labels                            | 12.75        |
| H. E. Murray Co.       | Broom                                  | 1.69         |
| Beckley Cardy Co.      | Books                                  | 8.93         |
| De Young Plumbing Co.  | Repair on Stokes                       | 122.21       |
| <del>Eishleman</del>   | Toilet installation                    |              |
| Eishleman              | modern gas & electric repair on light. | 6.64         |
| Remington Rand Inc.    | Adding machine                         | 98.55        |
| Jasper Co. News        | Subscription 1 yr.                     | 2.50         |
| Ligas News Agency      | Chicago Tribune 1 yr.                  | 18.00        |
| Fendigo Drug Store     | Books & Sundries                       | 159.60       |
|                        |                                        | <hr/> 438.29 |

A Remington Rand and a Victor adding machine were here for demonstration. It was moved by B. Robinson that the Board purchase the Remington Rand. second by Amster. The purchase price being \$98.55. motion carried.

The Librarian was authorized to purchase paint for the floors & walls of the basement toilet room.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.  
H. E. Murray Pres



Jan. 12, 1952

The Puro. Public Library board held their regular meeting in the Trustees room of the Public Library Monday Jan. 12, 1953.

Those present were Mrs. M. Hammond, Mrs. Ed Robinson, Mrs. H. F. Allman, Mrs. Arthur Hopkins, Mr. Garland Hardy and Mr. Edson Murray.

The minutes were read of the last meeting. They were approved. Bills amounting to 103.32 were allowed. Motion by G. Hardy and Kate Hammond.

About the report on the library roof it was recommended that the old tar be scraped from the roof at this time then put cold tar finish on when the weather get warm. Moved by G. Hardy and second by Mrs. A. Hopkins. carried.

The librarian was instructed to ask about stained glass buyers. The glass being from the sky light in the main auditorium. Also an advertisement put in the La Fayette paper when glass is available.

Meeting closed.

Bills for Jan. 12 1953

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray Pres



Feb. 9 1953.

The regular monthly meeting of the Pens. Public Library board was held ~~the~~ the second Monday of Feb. 1953. This being the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Those of the board's seven members present were: Mr. Edson Murray, president of the board, Mrs. M. F. Allman secretary of the board, Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Mr. Maurice Hammond, Mr. Garland Hardy members. Mr. Ralph Amster and Mrs. Arthur Hopkins were absent. The pres. Mr. Edson Murray call the meeting to order.

The minutes of the last regular meeting, said meeting being Monday Jan. 12 1953, were read by the secretary Mrs. Allman, after correction they were approved. 1

Bills amounting to \$464.85 were presented and read. After inspection by the board members Mrs. Ed. Robinson moved and Mr. Garland Hardy supported a motion to pay the bills as presented and an order drawn on the treas. The motion carried.

Report by the librarian that no buyers are available at this time for patterned storm glass.

A correspondence was received from Vern D. Marshall who lives now at King City California in regard to his late father's Geo. E. Marshall. Mr. Geo. E. Marshall at one time was owner and publisher of the Pensacola Republican. The letter states that if the library will pay the postage Vern Marshall will send several bound copies of the early years of the paper. It was decided to have these copies sent.

No further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned by the President.

Bills for Feb. 9 1953.

Fendigo Drug Store

Mrs. M. F. Allman secy.

E. E. Murray Pres.

Books & supplies

\$2.74



March 1953

The Rens. Public Library Board met in regular session at the Rens. Public Library Monday March 1953. Those present were; Katherine Hammond Esther Allman, S. Hardy R. Amster, and E. Murray + Bertha Robinson.

The bills were allowed. motion made by B. Robinson and K. Hammond.

Mrs. Bertha Robinson was reappointed for a 2 yr. term by the city council.

The boiler was inspected by the insurance agent of the Travelers Indemnity Co. on the date 2-10-53 and found to be in satisfactory condition.

A letter read telling of the finances school for librarians, Board presidents and treasurers ~~were~~ to be held at Portland March 19'53. A motion by Amster to authorize the Librarian to attend the meeting with expenses paid.

Mr. Ed Moore the present janitor wishes to be relieved of his duties as soon as possible.

R. Amster and S. Hardy moved and supported a motion that the officers now in office continue another year. As Mrs. Arthur Hopkins term on the Board has expired and as she was the Vice president a new Vice president was elected. K. Hammond moved and R. Amster seconded the motion that Bertha Robinson be elected. The motion carried.

No further business the meeting adjourned.

Ms. K. F. Allman secy.

E. E. Murray Pres



April 13, 1953.

The Pumaslar Library Board met in regular meeting Monday April 13, 1953.

Those present were, Bertha Robinson, Katherine Hammond, Marjory English, Esther Allman, Garland Hardy.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved. Bills to the amount of 164.63 were presented. K. Hammond moved and G. Hardy seconded a motion to allow the Bills. Motion carried.

The application of Clifford Bramble for the janitor job was read and G. Hardy made the motion that Bramble receive the appointment. K. Hammond seconded. Motion carried.

Librarian explained the new laws + finances from the meeting held in Kentland.

Mrs. Harry English was welcomed as the new member appointed by the Judge of the Circuit court for 4 yrs. '53 - 57. Mrs. Arthur Hepkins term expired.

The Librarian asked for a filing cabinet. Hardy moved Mrs. Hemphill get information on same and present at next meeting. Meeting adjourned.



Bills.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

May 11 - 53

The Penseleur Public Library Board held their regular meeting at the Penseleur Public Library Monday, May 11 - 1953. Those present were Katherine Hammond, Marjorie English, Garland Hardy, Edson Murray, Bertha Robinson and Esther Allman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$144.<sup>72</sup> were read. G. Hardy moved, K. Hammond seconded the motion that the bills be paid.

A discussion regarding a new filing cabinet was held.

Report of the District meeting held Thurs. May 7 at Gary was given by Mrs. Hempill the Librarian. To better equalize the insurance agents



accounts the 500.<sup>00</sup> building and contents<sup>ins.</sup> due in June was transferred from the Woodworth agency to the Floyd Myers agency. Motion made by H. Hardy, Seconded by H. Hammond.

Meeting adjourned

Bills.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

June 8, 1953.

The Russellau Public Library Board met in regular meeting Monday June 8, 1953.

Those of the board present were: D. Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Katherine Hardy, Maryon English.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Bills of \$797.<sup>00</sup> were presented. H. Hammond moved and G. Hardy seconded. It carried.

Garland Hardy moved that a four drawer filing cabinet be purchased from Remington Rand at \$238.<sup>00</sup> delivered. H. Hammond seconded. The motion carried.

No further discussion the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. R. F. Allman Secy

G. E. Murray Pres.



July 13, 1953

The Rensselaer Library Board met for their regular meeting July 13, 1953. Those present were D. E. Murray, K. Hammen, M. English, B. Robinson and E. Allman.

Minutes of previous meeting was read and approved.

Bills of \$1617.03 were presented. M. English moved and B. Robinson seconded the motion to pay the bills. It carried.

A report on the Summer reading club was given by the librarian as follows: The two Summer Reading Clubs, The Tom Sawyer and Indian, finished their respective reading projects June 30, 1953. Graduating exercises were held for each group with 52 receiving Diplomas for completing the course. The requirements for graduation was to read and report on 10 books approved by the Librarian or Assistant.

The Tom Sawyer Club painted the fence for Tom by pasting a sticker on a paling for each book read. The members of the Indian Club were given bad bands adorned either with colorful feathers or stars for each book read.

Mrs. Russell Dean and Miss. Beulah Arnott conducted the graduating ~~exercises~~ exercises Mrs. Dean with a Story hour period for the Indian Club and Miss. Arnott reviewing the book Tom Sawyer. At close



of the extra ~~cises~~ refreshments consisting of ice cream and cakes were served.

72 attended the afternoon party.

Mary Kay Fitzpatrick, (Tom Sawyer Club) made highest honor by reading 18 books. Nancy Go Lee, the highest in Indian club, having 12 feathers and 4 stars and reading 14 books. T

This report showed and advancement in interest over last year.

The wages per hour for extra help was set by the board as follows: .75¢ for 1 hour work, .50¢ when working longer periods.

Bertha Robinson was appointed to see the plumber about the long over due roof sporting.

Meeting adjourned.

Mr. K. F. Allman Secy.

G. E. Murray Pres

August 10, 1953.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Monday Aug. 10, 1953.

Those present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, <sup>Ralph</sup> Amster, Marjorie English, Bertha Robinson, and Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$100.<sup>13</sup> were presented. Motion by G. Hardy second by R. Amster. Motion carried.

The Librarian was notified by the State Board of



accounts that the Library Unit is not excluded from the City budget and no separate bond is needed. The secretary was<sup>to</sup> notified D. D. Dean of the cancellation of the present bond.

The budget was reviewed by the Board and approved.

The meeting adjourned.

J. E. Murray Pres. Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

September 19, 1953

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met for a regular meeting at the Rensselaer Public Library. Those present being President Edson Murray, secretary Esther Allman, members Ralph Amster, Garland Hardy, and Katherine Hammond.

The president opened the meeting by calling for the minutes of the last meeting. They were read and approved. Bills were presented the amount being \$1205.<sup>56</sup>. R. Amster moved they be paid a second by G. Hardy. Motion carried.

A letter was received by the board from Raymond B. Beiler, M. D. of Indianapolis, asking to donate books in memory of his sister-in-law Mrs. T. M. Washburn, Books to be on Florka culture. The amount being around \$15.<sup>00</sup>. The librarian was instructed to receive the gift and order such books.

It was moved by K. Hammond and supported by R. Amster that magazines found to be of subversive literature and material be identified as such by a sticker across the front. Motion carried.

Bids for painting and ~~putt~~ caulking the windows was proposed. R. Amster was appointed to see that this work be done as soon as possible.

Bids were V. Williams \$230.<sup>00</sup> E. Kaufman \$175.<sup>00</sup> and D. Porter \$155.<sup>00</sup>

Meeting was adjourned

Bills:

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

J. E. Murray, Pres.



Oct. 12, 1953.

The Russell Public Library Board met in regular meeting Monday Oct. 12, 1953 at the Russ. Public Library. Those present were: Pres. Edson Murray, Secretary Esther Allman, V. Pres. Bertha Robinson, members Marjorie English and Harland Hardy.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills to the amount of \$385.<sup>23</sup> were presented. Motion by H. Hardy, and second by M. English that bills be paid. carried.

A report on window painting to the effect that the low bid of Darwin Porter was accepted. The work is completed at a cost of labor \$155.<sup>00</sup> and for paint \$28.91.

Mrs. Raymond Paulus asks permission to copy the historical records of General Mil. Roy. Permission given if she makes a copy for the Library.

Librarian asked to call Omar Waymire (carpenter) to see to hanging swinging door to meeting room of the lower auditorium.

Moved by H. Hardy and seconded by B. Robinson that Librarian go to State meeting at Indianapolis Oct. 9-10-11-1953. Expenses paid.

Bills.

Esther Allman sec'y

E. E. Murray, Pres.



Nov. 9, 1953.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met for their regular meeting Monday Nov. 9, 1953 at the Rensselaer Public Library.

Those present were, President Edson Murray, V. Pres. Bertha Robinson, secretary Esther Allman, members Katherine Hammond, Marjorie English, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amster.

# Minutes were read and approved. Bills of 101.09 G. Hardy moved and English seconded, Carried.

It was moved by K. Hammond and seconded B. Robinson to accept the 10% discount on the four drawer filing cabinet which came damaged on the front.

A report by Mrs. Hemphil the Librarian to the effect that the carpenter, ~~and the~~ after looking at the swinging doors to the basement auditorium over, reported the expense would not be warranted since we plan to remodel soon.

The meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy,

Bills:  
J. E. Murray, Pres



Dec. 14, 1953.

The Rensselaer Public library board held their regular monthly meeting Monday Dec. 14, 1953.

Those present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amster, Bertha Robinson, Marjorie English, and Esther Allman.

Bills amounting to \$455.<sup>34</sup> This includes the \$214.<sup>74</sup> cost of four drawer file. Motion by English second by Robinson. carried.

A motion by G. Hardy that specifications be prepared and advertised for bids on aluminum storm and screen windows for all windows in the library second by R. Amster. motion carried.

It was decided by the board to have the ceiling blocks laid straight with the floor blocks.

Mr. Hardy asked if it would be possible to use the Library auditorium for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade of school if needed. Motion by English that the library co-operate. The school to stand expense of alterations required. second by Robinson. carried.

~~Specifications for the aluminum storm combination windows were read and approved. Notices were placed in the 2 papers according to the law.~~  
~~Gasper Co. News Jan. 14-21 requesting bids.~~  
~~Rensselaer Republican Jan. 14-21~~  
 meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.



Jan. 11, 1954,

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met  
at the Rens. Public Library Jan. 11, 1954,

Those present were. Edson Murray, Garland  
Hardy, Ralph Amaker, Bertha Robinson, Marjorie  
English, Kathryn Hammond and Esther Allman.

Bills of \$59.<sup>21</sup> were present and allowed by  
M. English and B. Robinson.

Specifications for the aluminum storm  
combination windows were read and approved.  
Notices were placed in the two county papers  
according to law.

Gasper Co. News

Rensselaer Republican

Jan 14-21 requesting

Jan. 14-21 bids.

Meeting was adjourned.

H. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.



Feb. 8, 1954.

The Puns. Library Board met at the Library.  
Feb. 8, 1954.

Those present were Edson Murray, Ralph Amsler,  
Bertha Robinson, Kathryn Hammond, Marjorie English,  
Esther Allman.

Bills of \$68<sup>41</sup> were presented motion by Robinson  
and Hammond to be allowed, carried.

Demonstration of combination storm windows  
by Talbots Reno, VanTobels Remington and the  
Co-op. sent their representative and bid.

After the demonstration the sealed bids were opened  
by the secretary of the library board.

VanTobels \$2,358.87

Talbots \$2,348.50

Co. Op. \$2,508.39

Motion by K. Hammond that the low bid be  
accepted second by R. Amsler. Motion carried as  
the board felt the bid was not only the lowest but  
the best.

It was recommended that the librarian hire  
help to clean the library after the ceiling was  
finished.

meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy.



March. 8-1954.

The Pens. Public Library Board met at the Library for their regular meeting Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> 1954.

Present Bertha Robinson, Kathryn Hammond, Marjorie English, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amaler, Esther Allman.

Bill 353. <sup>89</sup> moved by G. Hardy & Hammond carried.

Ralph Amaler was reappointed as a board member by Judge Leopold.

This is the month for election of board officers. a motion to re-elect the incumbent officers was made by R. Amaler and supported by G. Hardy. Motion carried.

|                                               |                           |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Hardy and Allman                              | 1951 — 1955 <sup>59</sup> |
| Hammond <del>Hammond</del> <sup>Hammond</sup> | 1952 — 1956 <sup>60</sup> |
| Robinson and English                          | 1953 — 1957               |
| Amaler and Murray                             | 1954 — 1958               |

G. E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy.

April 11, 1954

The Penssilar Library Board met April 11, 1954 at the Library. Those present Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Kathryn Hammond, Esther Allman.

Mr. Shaper Supt. of the Penssilar Public schools asked for the use of the Library basement as a school room for the coming year. The proposition accepted was that the school take care of the lighting fixtures, seating, black boards, & other equipment. Also pay



March. 8-1954.

The Pens. Public Library Board met at the Library for their regular meeting Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> 1954.

Present Bertha Robinson, Kathryn Hammond, Marjorie English, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amaler, Esther Allman.

Bill 353. <sup>89</sup> moved by G. Hardy & Hammond carried.

Ralph Amaler was reappointed as a board member by Judge Leopold.

This is the month for election of board officers. a motion to re-elect the incumbent officers was made by R. Amaler and supported by G. Hardy. Motion carried.

|                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Hardy and Allman           | 1951 — 1955 <sup>59</sup> |
| Hammond <sup>Kathryn</sup> | 1952 — 1956 <sup>60</sup> |
| Robinson and English       | 1953 — 1957               |
| Amaler and Murray          | 1954 — 1958               |

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

April 11, 1954

The Penssilar Library Board met April 11, 1954 at the Library. Those present Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Kathryn Hammond, Esther Allman.

Mr. Shaper Supt. of the Penssilar Public schools asked for the use of the Library basement as a school room for the coming year. The proposition accepted was that the school take care of the lighting fixtures, seating, black boards, & other equipment. Also pay



a rental fee to cover electricity, janitor, water, and nominal amount to cover repairs.

Bills allowed amounted to \$3566.13, Motions made and seconded by G. Hardy and K. Hammond.

A committee to see about having the Library proper redecorated were Bertha Robinson and Katherine Hammond.

The meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres,

Esther Allman secy.

May 12, 1954

The Renaselaire Public Library Board met in regular session Monday May 12, 1954. Those present, Edson Murray, Ralph Amaler, Garland Hardy, Bertha Robinson, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read, Bills of \$259.19 were presented. Motion to allow by Garland Hardy, second by R. Amaler. Carried.

Continuing the ~~past~~ project on doors. A motion was made by B. Robinson that glass be placed in the doors at the head of the stairs entering the main floor. Also that the doors downstairs entering the auditorium be rehung. Second by R. Amaler. Motion carried.



The janitor ask for a \$10.<sup>00</sup> a week raise for janitor work on the school room that will be in the Library Auditorium next winter. Referred to the school board.

The library decorating was finished all but the hall. This to be done as soon as possible.

It was decided to ask Donnelly's for a bid on new ceiling in basement same as to be as the one up stairs.

Meeting adjourned.  
G.E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy.

June 14, 1954,

The Library Board of the Rensselaer Public Library met June 14, 1954 for their regular meeting. Those present were, Kate Hammond, Bertha Robinson, Ralph Amster, and Eldon Murray.

Minutes were read and approved. The balance of the painting was finished in the hall and stairways of the Library.

Bills for June amounting to \$344.68 were read. Motion made by Ralph Amster and secy by Kate Hammond that bills be allowed. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hemphill mentioned the great interest of the children in the summer reading program. A motion was made by Kate Hammond + seconded by Ralph Amster



that Mrs. Hemphill be authorized to treat the children at the Reading Club party to refreshments.

On July 13<sup>th</sup> 1904 the Cornerstone of the present Library was laid. The Board discussed the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and decided that the history of the Library should be published in the local newspapers and a general invitation be extended to the public to visit the Library.

As no bids came for the old Library screens so they were sent to the Sale Barn.

The meeting adjourned

Bertha Robinson acting secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

July 14, 1954.

The Pens. public Library Board met Monday July 14, 1954 in the Pensacola Public Library. Those present were Edison Murray, Bertha Robinson, Margorie English, Estlin Allman.

The minutes were read by the secy. They stood as read. Bills of \$315.<sup>08</sup> were presented - A motion by M. English and second by B. Robinson. Motion carried.

The old window screens were sold for the sum of \$4.65.

The Attorney General ruled that the law as interpreted



puted by official opinion #36 of the Attorney General dated May 20, 54 required that the library board elect one of its own members as their treasurer. He may or may not handle all of the funds, depending on what the library Board decides. The board decided to have the City Clerk Treasurer handle the funds. He would be in charge and responsible for the receipt and expenditure of all funds for which the budget is prepared and tax levied.

The library board treasurer will be responsible for receipts and expenditures of other funds of the Public Library, such as trust funds, endowments etc. Both to be bonded.

A motion that the Board adopt the ruling of the Att. Gen. was made by D. Robinson and a second by M. English. The motion carried.

Marjorie English was elected treas. from the board.

Meeting adjourned  
Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

A called meeting was held by the board of the Rensselaer Public Library. to approve the 1955 budget.

Those present were. E. Murray, R. Amster, B. Robinson, K. Hammond. M. English, and Esther Allman.

The 1955 budget was approved and ordered advertised in both the papers. Jasper County



News and The Rensselaer Republican.

The meeting adjourned  
Ester Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Aug. 9, 1954,

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met for their regular monthly meeting in the Public Library Monday Aug. 9, 1954,

Those present were E. Murray, H. Hardy, R. Ansel, D. Robinson, M. English, K. Hammond and E. Allman.

Minutes were read and stood as read.

Bills amounting to \$117.<sup>74</sup> were read & motion made by K. Hammond, second by M. English that these bills be allowed carried.

The Indiana State Library sent a note thanking our Librarian, Mrs. Etta Hemphel, for the Rensselaer news papers containing articles on the history of the Rens. Public Library over its fifty (50) years of service to the community.

No further business

Meeting adjourned

Ester Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



September 13, 54,

The Rensselaer Public Library met Monday  
Sept. 13, 1954,

Those present G. Hardy, K. Hammond, M. English, E. Allman.

In the absence of the Pres. and V. Pres. the secretary presided.

Bills of \$148.<sup>57</sup> were presented. The motion as made to allow these bills was made by G. Hardy and second by K. Hammond, carried.

The glass in the library doors met with the approval of the board.

The board inspected the school room and found it very attractive. So far the school children have been very co-operative and every thing is O. K.

No further business

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray,  
Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Oct. 11, 1954,

The Rensselaer Public Library board met at the  
Rens. Public library Oct. 11, 1954.

Those present were, E. Murray, G. Hardy, K. Hammond, M. English, and E. Allman.

Bills of \$390.<sup>83</sup>. The Ralph Donnelly bill for hanging doors in auditorium \$2.65. Edsel and glass in library doors \$16.45. A motion these bills be allowed was made by K. Hammond and seconded



by M. English. motion carried.

Mrs. Hemphill was asked to write to several firms and get prices on typewriters.

Meeting adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy.

J. E. Murray, Pres.

Nov. 8, 1954,

The Rensselaer Public Library met for their regular meeting Monday Nov. 8, 1954,

Those present were E. Murray, J. Hardy, H. Hammond, B. Robinson, and E. Allman.

Bills for \$204.<sup>32</sup> were presented. Motion by J. Hardy second H. Hammond. carried.

The present typewriter has been repaired and is in good shape so there will be no need for a new one at this time.

Mrs. Hemphill, the librarian, is in the hospital for an indefinite stay. Mrs. Seaville, the library assistant, was given temporary aid in H. Hammond and Deanna Mickel.

Meeting adjourned

Bills.

Esther Allman, Secy.

|                          |                       |        |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------|
| Deanna Mickel            | --- Vacation help --- | 29.50  |
| Rens. Republican         | Publication of Budget | 33.96  |
| Ind. St. Chamber of Com. | Abstract of Ind. Com. | 2.50   |
| Children's Book Council  | Supplies              | 4.80   |
| Emmanuel pub. Co.        | Books                 | 7.65   |
| Hasper Co. News.         | Publication Budget    | 33.96  |
| Chas. M. Gardner         | Books                 | 17.39  |
| Doubtre Day & Co.        | "                     | 10.46  |
| Fendigo Drug Store       | "                     | 7.53   |
|                          | "                     | 1.42   |
|                          | "                     | 60.25  |
|                          |                       | 204.70 |



Dec. 13-54

The Russell Public Library Board held their Dec. meeting at the Russ. Public Library.

Those present - Kate Hammond, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amaler, Edson Murray, and Bertha Robinson.

Minutes from the Nov. meeting read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$95.20 were read and motion made by G. Hardy & sec. by K. Hammond that bills be paid, carried.

Mrs. Hemphil suggested that we buy the World Book for the Library.

Meeting adjourned.

Bertha Robinson

G. E. Murray, Pres.

acting secy.

Jan. 10 - 1955.

The Russ. Public Library Board met at the Library Jan. 10, 1955. Those present were - Edson Murray, Kate Hammond, Ralph Amaler, Marjorie English, Garland Hardy, and Bertha Robinson.

Bills amounting to <sup>4</sup>\$99.66 were read and allowed. Motion made by K. Hammond and sec. by M. English.

Mr. Hardy reported that the hospital at Westville would be very glad to receive the old copies of the World Book encyclopedia and also the Britannica copies.

Meeting adjourned

Bertha Robinson acting secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Feb. 14 - 1955.

The Russellau Public Library Board met in regular meeting at the Library Feb. 14, 1955.

Present were, Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Kate Hammond, Marjorie English, and Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$237.26 were presented. Motion to pay same was made by G. Hardy and seconded by K. Hammond. Motion carried.

G. Garland Hardy was reappointed for four (4) years by the School Board.

No further business was presented so the meeting was adjourned.

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

March 14 - 1955.

The Russellau Public Library board met March 14, 1955 at the Library.

Present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, K. Hammond, M. English, and Esther Allman.

Bills for \$214.11 were presented. Motion by M. English and a second by K. Hammond, carried.

Esther Allman reappointed to the Library Board for four (4) years, 1955-58. Appointment by Judge Mass Leopold.



This being the month for election of officers of the Board. Kate Hammond moved that the society cast a unanimous ballot for the present officers to continue for another year. Second by R. Hardy. The motion carried. Officers are President Edson Murray, V. Pres. Bertha Robinson, Treas. Marjorie English and secretary Esther Allman.

No further business so meeting was adjourned by the President.

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

April 11, 1955.

The regular meeting of the Russell Public Library Board was held at the Library April 11, 1955.

Present were: G. Hardy, R. Amster, E. Murray and M. English and K. Hammond.

G. Hardy moved that bills of \$141.91 be allowed. R. Amster seconded. Motion carried.

It was moved by R. Amster & seconded by G. Hardy that new shrubs be placed in the hedge around the Library lawn. Carried.

Meeting closed

Marjorie English acting secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



May, 9, 1955.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the Library May 9 1955.

Present were Bertha Robinson, Esther Allman, Edson Murray, Garland Hardy and Kate Hammond and Ralph Amster.

Bills of \$176.86 moved by K. Hammond and sec. by R. Amster.

The Trawlers insurance Co. inspected the Library boiler. He found it to be satisfactory except for the need of a new smoke pipe which will be replaced before fall firing.

We had no representative at the District meeting held at South Bend.

No ~~more~~ further business the meeting adjourned.

Esther Allman, secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

June 13 '55

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the regular meeting place Monday June 13, 1955.

Those present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Maryon English, Bertha Robinson and Esther Allman.

Bills amounting to \$547.29 were presented. A motion was made to pay these bills. Motion by G. Hardy second M. English. Motion carried.

A new Remington Typewriter was purchased for the Library at a cost of \$182.50, also a two door metal cabinet for storage supplies.

The June draw is \$7005.62.



A motion was made by Marion English to request bids for the purchase and installation of an air conditioning unit for the main floor of the Reno Public Library. Seconded by Bertha Robinson. Motion carried. Bids to be published.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy.

June 29, 1955.

A called meeting by the president Edson Murray was held at the Reno Public Library Wed. June 29, 55.

Present E. Murray, R. Amador, H. Hammond, M. English, and E. Allman.

The purpose of the meeting was to open the bids received on the Air Conditioner.

Bid from De Young Plumbing Co. #2092.<sup>02</sup> for 8-ton unit. A Westinghouse.

E. J. Struter, Gary, 8-ton barrier \$2150.<sup>02</sup>

Ruffelt Frigidaire 7½ Ton. \$1927.<sup>02</sup>

It was decided to accept the bid of Ruffelt Plumbing Co. for a Frigidaire Air Conditioner as the best and lowest bid.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

July ~~May~~ 11, 1955

The Reno Public Library Board met with 5 members present, Edson Murray, Garland



Hardy, Kathryn Hammond, Marjorie English,  
Esther Allman.

Bills presented and allowed were \$103.<sup>09</sup>  
John Hopkins the City Attorney met with the  
board to approve the budget.

The school bill of \$150.<sup>00</sup> was allowed. M.  
English made the motion. H. Hammond the second.

This was the charge for the Rensselaer Public  
Schools use of the lower auditorium for school  
use.

\$43.<sup>50</sup> of insurance was allowed for the damage  
done to the Hall linoleum when air conditioner  
was moved in.

G. E. Murray, Pres. Meeting adjourned  
Esther Allman secy.

Aug. 1, 1955.

The library board met with the following  
members present, Edson Murray, Garland Hardy,  
Ralph Amster, M. English, Bertha Robinson, Esther  
Allman.

Bills of \$106.<sup>90</sup> were allowed. Hardy & Amster  
The budget of \$13775.<sup>00</sup> for 1956 was approved  
by the board. M. English made the motion. J. Hardy  
seconded it.

G. E. Murray, Pres. Meeting was adjourned  
Esther Allman secy.



Sept. 12, 1955,

The Russellau Public Library Board met with the following members present. Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amaler, M. English, Bertha Robinson and Esther Allman. Bills of \$148.<sup>49</sup> were allowed, Hardy and Amaler making the motion.

It was decided to accept Ruffelt's estimate on installing new pipe and insulate same to take care of the air conditioning moisture.

Latham given contract for a new smoke pipe to the furnace.

Decided to add more insurance on the Air Conditioner + Building + Contents \$500. To M. Hammond.

Suggested that Mrs. Hemphill see the telephone Co. about putting an auxiliary telephone in the basement for use of the school room.

Meeting was adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Oct. 10, 1955,

The Russellau Public Library Board met at the Library. Present were Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, H. Hammond, M. English, B. Robinson, Esther Allman.

Bills of \$226.<sup>74</sup> were allowed. Robinson and



Hammond making the motion.

Mrs. Hemphil reports the telephone has been installed in the Library basement by the school.

No further business meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Nov. 14, 1955.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met with the following members present, Garland Hardy, Katherine Hammond, Bertha Robinson, and Marjorie English.

Bills were allowed.

Mrs. Etta Hemphil has handed in her resignation from Librarian to start Jan. 1, 1956.

Mrs. Marjorie English will start learning the library work on 11/15/55.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Dec. 11, 1955.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the Public Library Monday Dec. 11, 1955.

Those present were, Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Ralph Amster, Katherine Hammond, Marjorie English, and Esther Allman.

Bills \$424.22 were presented. R. Amster



made the motion that bills be allowed and <sup>is</sup> ~~Mr.~~ <sup>Hardy</sup> ~~English~~ seconded. The motion carried.

Mrs. English informed the board that she had tendered her resignation as a member of the board same to be effective December 1, 1955.

On motion of Kathryn Hammond, supported by Ralph Amster, Mrs. Marjorie English was appointed as extra helper to the Librarian for the month of Dec. 1955 at a compensation of \$100.<sup>00</sup>

It was then moved by Mr. Garland Hardy that Mrs. Marjorie English be appointed acting Librarian effective Jan. 1, 1956 under the following terms, a salary of \$200.<sup>00</sup> per month with two weeks vacation with pay during the year 1956. Motion was supported by Esther Allman and carried unanimously.

No further business the meeting was adjourned

Esther Allman secy.  
G.E. Murray, Pres.

Jan. 8, 1956

The Russell Public Library Board met for their regular meeting at the home of the President Edson Murray. This was a fare well dinner and meeting honoring Mrs. Etta Hemphil the retiring Librarian. Those present were: Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Bertha Robinson, Kathryn Hammond.

Bills of \$118.<sup>98</sup> were presented. Moved they be paid



by Bertha Robinson second Garland Hardy.

A bond in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Clerk Treasurer to be provided due to notice from the State - paragraph as follows: "It will be noted that under the 1955 provisions when the city clerk treasurer is the Library Treasurer he must be bonded by a separate bond from the one he holds as city clerk treas. The amount is fixed by the library board."

No further business, the meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Kathryn Hammond  
acting secy.

Feb. 13, 1956

The Russelau Public Library board met at the Rens. Public Library Feb. 13, 1956, Present were: Garland Hardy, Edson Murray, Kathryn Hammond, & Esther Allman.

The minutes were read and bills allowed. G. Hardy 2nd Esther Allman.

The librarian was asked to check on binding news papers.

It was decided to have the Balcony room, redecorated New ceiling, floor, & light to go with the main library.

A subscription to ~~make~~ the Indianapolis Star was ordered.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther B. Allman secy.



March 12, 1956.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met March 12, 1956 in the Library. Those present Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Garland Hardy, Esther Allman, Bertha Robinson and Mrs. Robert Wright (Betty) and Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia) the latter two new members.

Betty Wright for the remaining term of <sup>3 yrs.</sup> Maryon English, appointed by the Judge of the court. Virginia Hershman for 2 yrs. appointed by the School Board.

Bills of \$140.36 were presented, moved by G. Hardy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Robinson. passed.

The janitor received prices for hedge re-placements from Keith Latin. Moved he have the bills put in. Motion by R. Amster, 2<sup>nd</sup> V. Hershman.

The Janitor asked for a power mower. The board feels they are not in a position to buy one. It was decided that we pay a maximum of \$2.<sup>50</sup> a time for mowing the lawn mower to be furnished by the mower. motion by Hardy 2<sup>nd</sup> Amster.

The Library Board received a summons to Jasper Co. Court in the will case of John Reynolds. Moved by B. Robinson and second by R. Amster that we ask John Hopkins, city atty. to represent the Library Board.

This is the month for electing new officers. Ralph Amster moved & Garland Hardy seconded the motion that the present officers hold over. Motion passed. Officers being: President Edson Murray, Vice President, Bertha Robinson, secy. Esther Allman.



## The board members and terms.

|                                              |             |
|----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Esther Allman appointed by the Judge         | 1955 - 1959 |
| Garland Hardy " " School Board               | 1955 - 1959 |
| Virginia Hershman " " "                      | 1956 - 1960 |
| Bertha Robinson City Council                 | 1953 - 1957 |
| Betty Wright fill in Judge.                  | 1956 - 1957 |
| Ralph Amaller <del>City Council</del> Judge. | 1951 - 1958 |
| Edson Murray City Council                    | 1951 - 1958 |

G. E. Murray, Pres.      Esther Allman secy.

April 9, 1956.

Russell Library Board met at the Library Monday April 9, 1956. Those present were: Edson Murray, Garland Hardy, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Bills of 1955<sup>21</sup> Motion by Hardy and Wright.  
Passed.

E. Murray presented insurance refunds, caused by a revision of policies, as follows: Myers, 10.<sup>00</sup> Zurich 8.<sup>88</sup> - 3.68.

The Janitor will assume the task of mowing the Library lawn for 2.<sup>00</sup> a time.

A motion by G. Hardy & 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. Wright To let the Librarian use her discretion in destroying old magazines and news papers.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



May 14, 1956.

The Russell Public Library Board met at the Russ. Public Library May 14, 1956. Those present were: Garland Hardy, Edson Murray, Mrs. Robert Wright (Betty) and Mrs. H. F. Allman (Esther).

Bills amounting to \$610.46 were presented. It was moved by Betty Wright and seconded by Garland Hardy that these bills be allowed. Motion carried.

It was moved by Garland Hardy that the new steel news paper cabinets be ordered also new electrical outlets be placed in the Balcony room as needed. The cabinet to be three sections long. Betty Wright seconded the motion. It carried.

There was a report of the District Library meeting which was held in Gary. Mrs. Margorie English acting Librarian, Mrs. Helen Deentlin assistant librarian, and Esther Allman a board member attended this meeting. This was the last meeting Garland Hardy will be a member as he is moving away. Meeting was adjourned by the President. Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

The June 11, 1956 minutes on the next Page.

July 9  
~~June 11~~, 1956

The Russell Public Library Board met in regular session Monday June 11, 1956 at 4:00 P.M. in the Russ. Public Library.

Those present were: Edson Murray, Bertha Robinson, Virginia Hershman, Betty Wright, and Esther Allman. All these are members of the board.

Bills of \$524.05 were presented. Motion made by Bertha Robinson and seconded by Betty Wright that the bills be paid. Motion carried.

It was decided to hold a called meeting later in the month to act upon the 1957 budget as all the tax income is



not in.

It was reported by the librarian that the winter coal has been delivered and the cleaning and painting of the library basement has been completed.

No further business the meeting was adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

June 11, 1956.

The Reno Public Library Board met June 11, 1956 at the Reno Public Library. Those present being: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Bills amounting to \$45.88<sup>4</sup> Motion by Betty Wright and seconded by Virginia Hershman. Motion passed.

A charge of \$150.<sup>00</sup> was charged the school for use of the Library Auditorium for holding school thru the year. This charge was the same as last year.

A charge of \$38.75 for cleaning and straightening the room was also made to the school. Motion by Virginia Hershman and second by Betty Wright. It carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Esther Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

A called meeting. July 27, 1956

The Reno Public Library Board met in a called session for the purpose of approving the budget for 1957.

Those present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster



Virginia Hershman, Bertha Robinson, Esther Allman.

A motion was made by Bertha Robinson and seconded by Virginia Hershman that the budget be accepted as written. Motion passed.

The librarian, Mrs. English ask that the library be closed from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. instead of from 6:00 P.M. till 7:00 P.M. during the school term. Motion by V. Hershman and second by B. Robinson was made. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

G.E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Aug 13, 1956.

The Russellian Public Library Board met at the Russ. Public library in a regular meeting Aug. 13, 1956.

There being only two of the board present namely: Virginia Hershman and Esther Allman no business could be transacted. at 4:30 P.M. they adjourned. Bertha Robinson and Edson Murray were called to approve the bills of \$311.25.

Esther Allman secy.

G.E. Murray, Pres.

Sept. 10, 1956.

The Russellian Public library board met in regular session at the Russ. Public library.

Those present were: Bertha Robinson, Virginia Hershman, Betty Wright, Esther Allman, Edson Murray, and Ralph Amoler.

A motion to pay the bills of \$101.17 was made by Ralph Amoler and seconded by Betty Wright.

Mr. W<sup>m</sup>. Holt was appointed by the school board to fill out Mr. Garland Hardy's term 1955-56.



A request was made by Mrs. Geo. Worden asking if it would be possible to keep a cabinet for filling Girl Scout material when the troop was not using same.

Virginia Hershman moved and Bertha Robinson seconded that the Girl Scout material might be kept in the Library basement.

No further business the meeting adjourned.  
G. E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy.

Oct. 8, 1956

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the Rensselaer Public Library in a regular meeting.

Those present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amster, Virginia Hershman, and Esther Allman.

Bills of \$186.<sup>34</sup> were presented. A motion to pay these bills was made by Virginia Hershman. It was seconded by W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

Mr. Holt was welcomed as the new member.

No further business the meeting was adjourned.

Esther Allman secy.  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

Nov. 12, 1956.

The Rensselaer Public Library met Nov. 12, 1956 at the Rensselaer Public Library. Those present were: Betty Wright, Esther Allman, Ralph Amster, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, and Edson Murray.

Bills amounting to \$181.13 were presented. A motion was made that they be paid by W<sup>m</sup> Holt second by Betty Wright. passed.

~~Betty~~ Mrs. Ted Davich and Mrs. Rusk appeared before the Board for information on how to form a library unit. After they left a motion was made by Betty Wright



That Providing the State Library Law permits The township of Parkley may come into our library taxing unit. second by Ralph Amaler, passed.

On motion of W<sup>m</sup> Holt, second by Ralph Amaler that the rate on rented books issued for outside communities be raised to Ten cents (10¢) straight on the regular basis. 7 day or 2 wks. motion passed

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Dec. 11, 1956.

The Russellau Public Library Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Russ. Public Library Monday, Jan. Dec. 11, 1956.

Those present Mrs. Robert Wright (Betty) Mrs. Bertha Robinson, Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia) Mrs. H. E. Allman (Esther) W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amaler, and Edson Murray.

Bills of \$100.<sup>98</sup> were presented. On motion by Bertha Robinson and second by Virginia Hershman these bills were passed.

It has been brought to the notice of the board that a receptacle for dropping returned books when the library is closed might be installed. It was laid on the table.

A request to move the telephone from the office to the desk was received from the Librarian. She was told to go ahead.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Jan. 15, 1957

The Russellau Public Library Board met in regular session at the Public Library Jan. 15, 1957

Those present were: Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, (The minutes were read and approved) Esther Allman, Edson Murray, Bills of \$221.69 were presented. Motion by Betty Wright, second by Virginia Hershman, carried



The Librarian reported that it would be impossible to move the telephone to the outer desk.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Jan. 21, 1957

The Russellau Public Library Board met at the Public Library in a called meeting the purpose to elect a finance committee. Present: Edson Murray, Betty Wright, Esther Allman, Virginia Hershman.

Virginia Hershman was elected President and Betty Wright secretary, Treasurer. This being <sup>the</sup> officers of the Library Board of Finance.

The Librarian asked the Board to give the janitor permission to have an old safe opened and sold. Same being in the basement of the Library. The board inspected same and advised, for the time being, to move it to another wall and build shelves where it had stood.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Feb. 11, 1957.

The Russellau Library Board met at the Russ. public library Monday Feb. 11, 1957.

Those present: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amster, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Bertha Robinson, and Esther Allman.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$91.51 were presented. Motion by Bertha Robinson and second by Betty Wright that these bills be paid. carried.

The Finance Board reported that the City Treasurer has been appointed to continue to handle the Library funds. He will take care of the bank purposes. This proved satisfactory to the Library Board.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.



March 11, 1957

The Rens. Public Library board met in regular session March 11, 1957 in the Rens. Public Library. Those present being, Edson Murray, Pres. Esther Allman secy, Ralph Amster, and Virginia Hershman + W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

Minutes were read and passed, Bills of \$121.28 were presented. Motion and second by V. Hershman and Amster, Passed.

This being the month for electing new officers the motion to hold the same officers was made by Ralph Amster and second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt. Motion passed.

The hourly rate for Mrs. Maurice Hammond for substitute work at the Library was set at \$1.25. Motion by R. Amster and second V. Hershman.

It is with real regret the Rensselaer Public Library Board notes the passing of Mrs. James H. Chapman (Blanche) in March. Mrs. Chapman had been a member of this board for many years acting as secretary of the board. She resigned three years ago on account of failing health. Meeting adjourned.

Esther A. Allman secy.  
J. E. Murray, Pres.

April 8, 1957

The Rens. Public Library Board met April 8, 57. Those present were: Edson Murray Pres. Esther Allman secy, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$391.83 were presented. Motion by Betty Wright to pay them. Second by Louise Hopkins. passed.

It was found that no Vice President had been elected at the last meeting. V. Hershman nominated W<sup>m</sup>. Holt. B. Wright seconded the nomination. passed.

Mrs. John E. Hopkins (Louise) was appointed The



new member to the Board. She was appointed by the City Council for (4) four years. Till 1961 March. Mrs. Robert B. Wright (Betty) was reappointed by the Circuit ~~Judge~~ Judge Moses Leopold for (4) four years.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres. Esther B. Allman Secy.

May 13, 1957.

Russell Public Library Board met May 13, 57, in the Russ. Public Library. Those present being:

Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amster, Lorrise Hopkins, Betty Wright, and Virginia Hershman.

In the absence of the secy. Esther Allman, Betty Wright acted.

Minutes were read and passed.

Bills of \$11.04 were presented. Motion by V. Hershman second by R. Amster. ~~for~~ allow. It passed.

A discussion of the summer reading club was held. The Librarian, Mrs. H. English, ask if she might write to the Library Producers Incorporated and criticize the National for sending out such cheap and shoddy material. Granted.

The Librarian gave a report on the District I Library meeting held at Plymouth. The Librarian Mrs. English and the assistant Librarian Helen Deantlin attended.

Ralph Amster moved that travel allowance (when sent by the board) be set at 6¢ a mile. Second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt. Carried.

meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray  
Pres.

Betty Wright acting secy.



June 10, 1957.

The Punsellau Public Library Board met in regular session Monday at 4 P.M. at the Puns. Public Library.

Those present were, Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, Betty Wright.

Minutes were read and approved as corrected.

Bills totaled \$397.58. Motion by J. Hopkins + second by Betty Wright that they be allowed. Carried.

Mrs. English (Librarian) reported that she wrote the letter pertaining to the childrens reading material.

A charge of \$200.<sup>00</sup> was made to the Puns. Public School for the use of the Library Auditorium the past year. Also for cleaning of the books.

Motion by Betty Wright. Second by Louise Hopkins. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres. Virginia Hershman acting secy.

July 8, 1957.

The Punsellau Public Library Board met in regular session Monday July 8, 1957 at the Puns. Public Library.

Those present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Betty Wright, and Virginia Hershman.

Minutes were read and approved as read.

Bills amounting to \$126.07 were presented. Betty Wright moved and W<sup>m</sup>. Holt seconded that these bills be allowed. Carried.

A request by the Opportunity School for the use of the Library Auditorium three mornings a week for the coming school term was discussed. The board responded favorably but asked to have the group representative appear before them to talk about the arrangements.

Betty Wright proposed that the State Library



be asked, by the Librarian, about the availability of a survey service from the view point of the adequacy of our subject matter. The Board agreed and directed Mrs. English to inquire.

Ralph Amster was directed to see to the buying of the coal for the coming year.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Virginia Herskman (acting secy)

August 2, 1957.

The Russellan Public Library Board met in a special called meeting for the purpose of approving the 1958 Budget.

Members present being: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Virginia Herskman, Ralph Amster, and Esther Allman.

The Budget was made out and approved by all members.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Louise Hopkins (acting secy)

August 12, 1957.

The Russellan Public Library Board met for the regular monthly meeting.

Those present being: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Ralph Amster, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$357.28 were presented. Moved by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt and seconded by R. Amster they be paid. Carried.

Mrs. Otto Munkel and Mrs. Ralph Condar asked advice concerning the use of the Library Auditorium this winter for the Opportunity School. Matter was deferred until further information could be secured on the use of a room in the Public School



System.

A motion was made by Louise Hopkins and a second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt that surplus improvement funds not used each year be allowed to accumulate for the purpose of future building expansion. Passed.

G. E. Murray, Pres. Meeting adjourned  
Esther Allman, Secy.

Sept. 9 1957.

The Russellau Public Library Board met at the Russ. Public Library in regular session Monday, August 9, 1957.

Present were: Colson Murray, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$174.83 were presented. Betty Wright moved and Virginia Hershman seconded, that these bills be paid. Carried.

It was reported that the Opportunity School had been allotted a room in the Monnett School building free of charge. This met with the approval of all concerned.

Miss. Carter, of the State Library, and the survey representative met with the board. She gave her observations on our Library. They were very favorable. She recommended some alterations which our Librarians will work on.

It was decided by the Board to allow library cards to adults without co-signers. To minors under 16 with their parents consent.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Esther Allman Secy.



Oct. 14, 1957

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Monday Oct. 14, 1957 in the Rens. Public Library.

Those present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Esther Allman.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Bills of \$24.18 were presented. A motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and supported by Louise Hopkins was made to allow same. Motion carried.

The president Edson Murray appointed Betty Wright and Louise Hopkins a committee to look after buying furniture for the reading corner in the Library.

The samples of ceiling tile for the Auditorium were presented by Donnellys. It was decided to buy the plain tile at 13.3¢ each. size 12x12 in.

The Board also toured the basement. The Librarians pointed out the recommendations concerning old stock made by Miss. Carter. The board gave the Librarian leave to carry out these recommendations.

meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Nov. 11, 1957.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday Nov. 11, 1957 at the Rensselaer Public Library.

Those present of the Board members being, Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, and Esther Allman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secy Mrs. Allman. They were approved.

Bills of 146.84 were presented and on motion by Louise Hopkins and a second by Virginia Hershman they were ordered paid.

Miss. Carter, of the State Library, staff, send a



book list of suggested books in the 500 and 600 group need to bring these classifications up to date. The book committee of the Reno Public Library plan to buy these replacements as soon as possible.

Virginia Herskman was appointed by the Pres. Edson Murray to consult with Mr. Hagan, principal of the Primary, about letting the children come to the Library at noon.

No further business the meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray Pres

Esther Allman Secy.

Dec. 9, 1957.

The Reno-Selma Public Library Board met at the Reno Public Library for the regular monthly meeting.

Those present of the board members being, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Betty Wright, Virginia Herskman, and Esther Allman.

Bills for \$206.37 were presented. On motion by Betty Wright and second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt the bills were allowed and ordered paid.

The Reno Public Library Librarian, Mrs. English explained the workshops held every 2 ~~months~~ months for the benefit of Librarians.

The board voted to hire or supply to take charge of the Library <sup>on the meeting days</sup> in order to allow both the Librarian and the assistant to attend these meetings.

W<sup>m</sup> Holt, the lighting committee for the Auditorium made a report. It was decided to not recess the lights.

It was found that the telephone could be moved to the desk. Moved by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by Virginia Herskman that this be done. Motion carried.

The janitor suggested that an electric polisher and floor buffer would be of value in keeping the floors. W<sup>m</sup> Holt offered to investigate.

As there was no further business the



meeting was adjourned by the President Edson Murray.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Jan. 13, 1958.

The Russelau Public Library board met at the Reno Public Library for their regular monthly meeting Monday, Jan. 13, 1958.

Present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, and Esther Allman.

Bills of \$833.17 were presented. On motion by Virginia Hershman and second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt they were ordered paid.

The Librarian, Mrs. English read a letter regarding National Library Week.

Another letter regarding the records of Gen. Milroy was read. The State Library would like to have these records in their historical rooms. Also a request for data by a man in New York who is writing a war history. The Librarian was instructed to answer these letters in the negative.

The Fire Marshal ordered a new pressure valve to be placed on the furnace. The board instructed the Librarian to contact the plumber for this repair.

The board was invited to a demonstration by the agent of the Microfilm Viewer to be used for filming the Russelau Republic's new papers.

No further business the meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman secy.

Feb. 10, 1958.

Russelau Public Library Board met in regular monthly meeting at the Reno Public Library Monday Feb. 10, 1958.

The board members present were: Edson Murray,

W<sup>m</sup> Holt  
Virginia  
Hershman

Betty Wright, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.  
Bills of \$358.02 were presented. On motion by



W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by Virginia Berakman the bills were ordered paid.

Old business; Virginia Berakman replaced Betty Wright on the furniture com.

W<sup>m</sup> Holt reported on the progress of the lights and wiring for the Auditorium.

Betty Wright was reappointed to the Library Board for 4 yrs. till 1961 by the Judge of the Court.

The State Library ask if we would care to send the Gen. Milroy records and mementos to them for safe keeping. The Pens. Library Board answered by saying they feel these papers are of historical value to Jasper County and as such should remain here.

Answering the request for data on the Milroy papers for the purpose of writing a book was answered by saying they are open for use but the Librarian has not time to search them out.

No further business the meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Ms. K. F. Allman Secy.

March 10, 1958

The Pens. Public Library Board met Monday March 10, 1958 for regular meeting. Present of the Board were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amster, Doris Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Bills of \$73.46 were presented. Motion by D. Hopkins, second W<sup>m</sup> Holt to allow same, passed.

A motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt that the Board contact Donnelly's to build new floor and build additional book shelves in the lower auditorium. Second by R. Amster, carried.

March being the month for election of officers. On motion by D. Hopkins the nomination of Edson Murray for Pres. W<sup>m</sup> Holt Vice Pres. Ms. K. F. Allman secy was made. Second R. Amster. carried.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Ms. K. F. Allman secy.



April 19, 1958.

The Russelan Library Board met in regular session. Present were Edson Murray, Esther Allman, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins.

Bills of \$565.86 were presented. Motion by V. Hershman second W<sup>m</sup> Holt that bills be paid. Carried.

Ralph Amaler was appointed to the board for 4 yrs. by the Judge of the Court. 1961.

Edson Murray was appointed to the Board for 4 yrs. by the City Council.

The Librarian and assistant were given permission to go to Workshop at Lowell April 23. Library to be opened at noon by Kate Hammond.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

May 12, 1958.

The Russelan Public Library Board met Monday May 12, 1958 for a regular meeting.

Those of the Board present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins, and Esther Allman.

Bills of \$282.34 were presented. Motion by Betty Wright and second by Virginia Hershman that bills be paid. Motion carried.

On motion by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt and second by Betty Wright it was decided to buy from Fendigo Drugs a floor polisher model 516 a. S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc. Price \$275<sup>00</sup> about.

In regard to the new cozy corner furniture Virginia Hershman moved we purchase from Wrights Inc. a sofa and two chairs. Second by Betty Wright. Motion carried.

Virginia Hershman moved that the Board request the renewal of Mrs. Englishes Library Certificate. Betty Wright seconded it. Carried.

The Russelan Public Library inherited thru Mrs. Nina Hammond ~~the~~ the library of the late



Judge Hammond formerly of Russell. A motion by Betty Wright & second by Virginia Hershman was made that the Librarian Mrs. English go to La Fayette to select what books could be used by our Library.

No further business meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

June 9, 1958,  
The Russell Public Library Board met in regular session Monday June 9, 1958. Members present were Edson Murray, Ralph Amoler, Louise Hepkins, and Virginia Hershman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$1,167.93 were presented. Motion by Ralph Amoler & second by Louise Hepkins that these bills be allowed. Motion carried.

In the matter of settling the bequest to The Russ. Public Library of Judge Hammond of La Fayette Tnd, personal library, subject to life estate of survivors, Mrs. Nina Nye and Nathaniel Hammond the ~~Russ.~~ board moved that the Russ. Public Library Board President Edson Murray and the Russ. Public Library secy. be authorized to sign waiver of notices of Estate.

Meeting adjourned

Virginia Hershman Secy. Pro tem.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

July 8, 1958.

The regular Library Board meeting was held in the Russ. public Library. The members present were: Edson Murray, Wm. Holt, Ralph Amoler, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman and Ethel Allman.

Min. were read and approved. Bills of \$389.48 were presented. Moved by Ralph Amoler and second by Virginia Hershman. Passed.



under old business the Librarian Mrs. Harry English and her assistant Mrs. Helen Seathin went to La Fayette to select from the Judge Hammond estate library those books suitable for the Russ. Public library. They brought back many Civil War Relics of interest to the history of Russell. All the books on Indiana History. Two Dodeys Ladies books, some Indian love books and various other sets for replacements. The Russ. Public Library Board President Edson Murray signed the release for any items not selected by the committee, as authorized by the Board.

On request of Ruth D. Robinson, publisher of the Russ. Republican news paper, the Library Board voted to release all bound volumes of the R.P. for Microfilming. Also they wish to purchase the second copy of Microfilm at .84¢ a page. Also the Library wishes to pay the postage and have the papers returned from the first filming. This motion was made by Ralph Amaler and second by Virginia Hershman. Motion passed.

W<sup>m</sup> Holt moved that the Library accept the Etching of Napoleon offered by the Miss. Scott. Park Ave. Russ. second by Betty Wright. Passed.

The 1959 Budget was prepared and approved by the Board.

Meeting adjourned  
 G.E. Murray, Pres.  
 Esther Allman Secy.

Aug. 11, 1958.

The Russell Public Library Board met for their regular monthly meeting Aug. 11, 1958.

The members present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amaler, Esther Allman.

The minutes were read and approved.

W<sup>m</sup> Holt moved and Ralph Amaler seconded, that the bills amounting to \$22.76 be paid. motion passed.

The board made an inspection tour of the library.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.



Sept. 8, 1958.

The Russell Public Library Board met Sept. 8, 1958 in the Russ. Public Library. The members present were Edson Murray, W<sup>th</sup>, Holt, Ralph Amster, Esther Allman, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman.

Bills of \$369.53 were presented. On motion that these bills be paid. Motion made by Ralph Amster, second Louise Hopkins, carried.

It was moved by Virginia Hershman that a Book Deposit Box be purchased. Second by Louise Hopkins. Motion carried.

The board approved the new furniture in the reading corner. Two chairs & a daynport. Two lamps and book table.

Meeting adjourned.

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman Secy.

Oct. 6, 1958.

The Russ. Public Library Board met for regular meeting Monday, Oct. 6, 1958 at the Russ. Public Library.

The members present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, W<sup>th</sup> Holt, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills were presented and allowed.

The findings of the State Board of Accounts was read and the Board voted to ~~man~~ comply with all suggestions.

The Board made the selection of paint and ~~floor~~ floor covering for the lower auditorium.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Nov. 10. 1958.

The Russelan Public Library Board met Mon. Nov. 10, 1958. Those of the board present were Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Bills of 266.95 were presented. Motion by Amster, second by Hopkins that they be allowed. Passed.

It was decided to have Donellups shorten the legs on one of the round tables in the childrens reading department, to be used as a coffee table in the reading corner.

Under date of Oct. 22 the President, Edson Murray, received letter from St. Library Certification Board, to the effect that the status of the library at Russelan, with reference to position of head librarian, was not in compliance with the Library Certification requirement. Library in default may secure a temporary certificate covering the head librarian by accepting commitment to an approved plan.

Under date Nov. 3, 1958 the library board President Edson Murray wrote Mr. C. Haynes Mr. Mullen, Pres. of C.B., asking the requirement of the committee requested as of Nov. 10. Reply not received.

Motion by Louise Hopkins, second by Ralph Amster, asked that Mr. Murray telephone, at the Libraries expense, the State Library asking information on this subject. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned

Esther L. Allman, Secy.

G.E. Murray, Pres.

Dec. 8, 1958

The Russelan Public Library Board met for their regular board meeting at the Russ. Pub. Library. Those present were board members: Edson Murray, Betty Wright, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, were present.



the minutes were read and approved.

Bills were allowed, \$285.19 by motion of Betty Wright and Louise Hopkins. carried.

A discussion was held concerning the Librarian's Certification. A letter was received under date of Nov. 22 from the Certification Board. Requirement for certification could be met in two summers at Indiana U. or by passing an exam.

The Pres. Librarian, Mrs. English, is willing to take ~~exam~~ courses toward the certification requirement.

The Pres. Mr. Murray will notify the Certification Board.

A motion was made to transfer \$31.75 from conting. ency fund to telephone fund \$43.34 from conting. fund to fixture fund and \$9.50 from fund to supplies. Motion made by Louise Hopkins, second Betty Wright carried.

Meeting adjourned

Esther G. Allman Secy.  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

Jan. 11, 1959

Russell Public Library Board met at the Russ. Public Library Monday Jan. 11, 1959.

Board members present were: Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, Ralph Amster, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, and Esther Allman.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Bills amounting to \$204.91 were presented. Motion by Virginia Hershman second W<sup>m</sup>. Holt. carried.

No further business for the minutes the meeting adjourned

Esther G. Allman, Secy.

G. E. Murray, Pres.



Feb. 9, 1959.

The Russellan Public Library Board met in regular meeting Monday Feb. 9, 1959,

Members of the Board present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amole, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins

The minutes were read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$1470.81 were presented. By motion of Virginia Hershman and seconded by Betty Wright they were allowed.

No further business the meeting adjourned.

Esther C. Allman Secy,  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

March 9, 1959.

The Russellan Public Library Board held their regular meeting at the Russ. Public Library. Members present were: Edson Murray, Betty Wright, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$139.03 were presented. Motion by Betty Wright and second by Louise Hopkins that they be paid. Carried.

It was voted to meet April 6, one week before regular date, to make plans for National Library Week which starts April 12, 1959.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman was reappointed for 4 yrs. by the Judge. '63.

Esther Allman Secy,  
G. E. Murray, Pres.

April 6, 1959,

The Russellan Public Library Board met in regular session at the Russ. Pub. Library.

Members present were: Edson Murray, Betty



Wright, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read & approved. Bills amounting to \$1239.53 were presented. It was voted to transfer \$800.<sup>00</sup> from the book fund to the Building & maintenance.

Motion by Betty Wright/Hershman, carried.

Motion by Louise Hopkins & Betty Wright to pay the bills. Motion carried.

It was decided the Library will be open regular Library hours for Auditorium use for non-profit organizations. Request must be made before hand.

The room is free to Rens. & Marian twp. residents as they pay taxes to support the Library. A fee of \$3.<sup>00</sup> will be asked for others.

Hours over time must be arranged for with the Librarian and janitor.

No further business the meeting adjourned

G.E. Murray, Pres. Esther A. Allman secy.

May 11, 1959

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday, May 11, 1959 for their regular meeting.

Present were: Edson Murray, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman, W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

Minutes were read and stood as amended.

Bills amounting to \$296.98 were read. A motion by Virginia Hershman and a second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt that they be paid. Motion carried.

Arrangements were made for the Librarians and any Board members to attend the Library District meeting to be held at Valparaiso Ill. May 21, 1959 The U. centennial year. The Library to be kept open that day by special help.

No further business the meeting adjourned

G.E. Murray Pres. Esther Allman secy.



June 8, 1959.

The Reno Public Library Board met in regular meeting Monday June 8, 1959.

Present were Edson Murray, Virginia Hershman, W<sup>M</sup>, Holt, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, and Esther Allman.

Minutes stood as read. Bills were presented.

\$237.67. Motion by W<sup>M</sup> Holt, second by Louise Hopkins that they be paid. carried.

The secy. Esther Allman, was instructed to write a letter to the State Certification Board stating that our Librarian, Mrs. Margery English, has handed in her resignation. Letter to ask their help in finding a replacement. The motion was made by W<sup>M</sup> Holt and second Louise Hopkins, Carried.

Letter to be sent to Harold F. Brigham Ex. Secy. Indiana Certification Board.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres. Mrs. Esther B. Allman secy.

June 17, 1959.

The Reno Public Library Board met in a called meeting June, 17, 1959.

Present were Edson Murray, Betty Wright, Louise Hershman, Betty Wright, and Esther Allman.

The secy, Esther Allman reported on the letter that was written, same read to the Board. Also she reported on the telephone conversation held with Mr. Brigham.

To comply with the law a certified librarian must be hired.

Motion made by Betty Wright and a second by Louise Hopkins that the Board accept Mrs. English's resignation as of this date. carried.

Since the Library must be kept open and one person can not do this a motion by Virginia Hershman and a second by Louise Hopkins



was made that we hire Mrs. English to continue in the capacity of Library help. Motion carried.

No further business so meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther Allman Secy.

July 13, 1959.

Russell Public Library Board met at regular meeting July 13, 1959.

Present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amaler, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

The bills were presented and on motion by Betty Wright and a second by Virginia Hershman they were order paid.

Gordon Dean, an applicant for the position of Librarian, met with the board. Later Betty Wright made the motion that the board hire Mr. Dean as acting Librarian. Second by Louise Hopkins. Motion carried.

Another motion setting the salary at \$4500.<sup>00</sup> a year payable at \$375.<sup>00</sup> a month. One month vacation. Motion made by Virginia Hershman and a second by Ralph Amaler. Motion carried. Mr. Dean to start duty August 1, 1959.

Meeting adjourned

G. E. Murray, Pres.

Esther A. Allman Secy.

Aug 3, 1959.

The Russell Public Library Board met Aug. 3, 1959, one week early, because of the yearly budget.

Present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman. A budget of \$6,200.<sup>00</sup> was passed on a motion by



Virginia Herskman and a second by Betty Wright.  
 Bills of \$27.77 were presented Motion made by W<sup>m</sup>.  
 Hott and second by Virginia Herskman. passed.  
 Meeting adjourned

G.E. Murray, Pres. Esther B. Allman Secy.

Sept. 14 1959

The Board of the Russelau Public Library  
 met with members present as follows. Edson Murray,  
 W<sup>m</sup>. Hott, Ralph Amaler and Mrs. Louise Hopkins.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$27.78 were presented. On motion by R. Amaler +  
 a second by W<sup>m</sup>. Hott they were allowed.

It was moved by W<sup>m</sup>. Hott and seconded by Ralph  
 Amaler that a shift be made from the contingency fund.  
 to coal \$112.39

to 4rs. 38.92 Motion passed

Mr. Gordon Dean, librarian, suggested that each  
 Board member select a field of interest in which  
 they would be willing to assist in improving the department  
 in the library. E. Murray took Business - Mechanical,  
 Hott - Religion + Science.

Hopkins - Travel + History Amaler Agriculture  
 Herskman - Reading Club and High School.

Meeting adjourned.

G.E. Murray, Pres. Esther B. Allman Secy.

Oct. 12. 1959.

The Russelau Public Library Board met Oct. 12 1959  
 at the Russelau Public Library. Members, Esther Allman,  
 Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Virginia Herskman, W<sup>m</sup>. Hott.  
 Minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$278.09 were presented.  
 Motion by V. Herskman and second by Betty Wright. passed.

Gordon Dean, librarian, was instructed by the  
 Board find out costs and get further information on  
 Miera film. also to contact St. Joseph College about



their interest in one.

There is to be a display by McAlhughs Miracle of Books Preview at the Museum of Science + Industry Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 P.M. to 5:30.

The Board decided to send for Markt to enter contest of the Extension Division.

No further business the meeting  
adjourned Esther C. Allman Secy.

Nov. 16, 1959

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in the Rens. Public Library Monday Nov. 16, 1959.

Members present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills \$218.44 were presented. Motion by Ralph Amster and second by Betty Wright, passed.

Gordon Dean, Librarian, reported on the Microfilm. The minutes of July 1958 were read as to our previous recommendations. No action taken.

Discussion on Library extension in to the townships on a flat rate basis was held.

meeting adjourned

Esther C. Allman Secy.

Dec. 14, 1959

The Rensselaer Library Board met in regular session at the Rens. Public Library Monday, Dec. 14. Those present (members) Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read by the secy. approved.

Bills for \$257.81 motion by Louise Hopkins second by



Betty Wright the bills were ordered paid.

A motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by Virginia Hershman that the standard orders be paid the last day of the month starting Dec. 1959.

As to the Donnelly bill still standing; a motion by V. Hershman + second by Betty Wright to authorize the transfer of monies from items in budget available and pay the bill. passed

The rate of \$5.00 for students in outside trips, for a one year trial was set. 2 books to student + 2 to school at one time. Motion was made by W<sup>m</sup> Holt + second by Louise Hopkins. passed.

Meeting adjourned

Esther A. Allman Secy.

Jan. 12, 1960

The Russell Public Library Board met at the Russ. Public Library for their regular session. Monday, Jan. 12, 1960.

Members present were, Edson Murray, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read by the secy, and approved. Bills of \$186.86 were presented. Motion by Betty Wright + second by V. Hershman. passed

Attendance of board members for 1959 was as follows  
13 meetings. Present.

Murray Pres. 12

Allman Secy 11

Hopkins 10

Hershman 11

Wright 10

Holt 8

Amster 5

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.



Feb. 8, 1960.

The Rens. Public Library Board met Monday Feb. 8, 1960 in regular session at the Rens. Public Library.

Members present were, Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, and Esther Allman. Minutes were read & approved.

Bills of \$386.03 were presented, on motion by Louise Hopkins & second by V. Hershman they were ordered paid.

It was moved by Virginia Hershman to give Father Magaras, of St. Joseph College, permission to hold a series of Adult Education meetings in the Library auditorium. These to be nonprofit. Second by Louise Hopkins Passed. (same to be open to the public)

Meeting adjourned

Esther A. Allman, secy.

March 14, 1960

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday March 14, 1960 at the Rens. Public Library.

Members present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Ralph Amster, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

Min. were read and approved.

Bills for \$127.14 were presented. On motion by Betty Wright & second by Ralph Amster they were ordered paid.

The boiler on the furnace was inspected by the Fire Marshal. It was recommended that some minor changes be made. These to be done when fire is out.

The Librarian, Gordon Dean, asked for some special arrangements for time off to further his studies at U. N. Motion by V. Hershman & second



by Betty Wright that this request be granted.  
Motion passed.

This is the month for the election of officers.  
It was moved by Ralph Amster and seconded  
by Betty Wright that the same officers be  
relected. Motion passed.

President, Edson Murray  
Vice President W<sup>m</sup>. Holt  
Secy. Esther Allman.

Meeting adjourned

Esther A. Allman Secy.

April 11 1960.

The Russellay Public Library Board met in  
The Penn. Public Library Monday April, 11, 1960 at  
4:00 P.M.

The members present were: Edson Murray,  
Ralph Amster, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Mrs. Robert (Betty) Wright,  
and Mrs. K. F. (Esther) Allman.

Minutes of the March meeting were read and  
were approved as given.

\$132.62 in bills were presented and on a motion  
by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and a second by Ralph Amster they  
were allowed and an order was given to draw on  
the Treasurer.

The Librarian, Jordan Dean, explained to the  
Board the new book rental plan. The Board decided  
to give the plan a 6 months trial, cost being \$2.50  
a month.

The idea of using a Print-O-Matic for  
publicity purposes was suggested by Mr. Dean.  
This to be further discussed by the Board.

Meeting adjourned

Esther A. Allman, Secy.



May 9, 1960

Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday May 9, 1960 at the Rens. Public Library in their regular session.

Members present were; Edson Murray, Mrs. John E. Hopkins, Mrs. K. F. Allman, and Mrs. Ray Hershman. Minutes were read & approved.

Bills in amount of \$22.65 were presented. On motion by Louise Hopkins & second W. Hershman they were ordered paid.

As there was no important business the meeting adjourned.

Ester Allman secy.

June 13, 1960

Rensselaer Library Board met as usual on the second Monday of the month.

Members present were: Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, and Ester Allman.

minutes were read and approved.

Bills amounting to \$584.13 were presented. on motion by Virginia Hershman and a second by Louise Hopkins they were ordered paid.

Mr. Dean was asked to have a new Print-O-Matic machine brought before the board for inspection.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Ester Allman secy.

July 1960

There was no meeting



Aug. 31, 1960.

The Russellan Public Library Board met in Aug. on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> 1960.

Those present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ralph Amos, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Virginia Hershman, and Esther Allman. The entire board.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Bills for \$385.51 were presented. On motion by Virginia Hershman and a second by Ralph Amos they were ordered paid.

The business of the meeting was the budget. It was reviewed by the Board and approved.

Meeting adjourned

Esther B. Allman Secy.

As there were no questions nor complaints from the public after the waiting period the Budget was passed as recommended by the board.

Sept. 1960

The Russellan Public Library met at the Russ. Public Library Sept. 1960 for their regular meeting.

Present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amos, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins, and Esther Allman.

The minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$291.27 were presented. Motion & second by Ralph Amos, Virginia Hershman, passed.

It was decided to add insurance for work-mans compensation for the Library. The cost being around \$26.00 yearly. Motion by Virginia Hershman and second by Louise Hopkins, passed.

An invitation was read by Mr. Dean, the Librarian, from the Hebrew Library asking us



to attend a discussion group meeting to be Sept. 23, at 7.30

The State Library asked permission to catalogue and microfilm our Gen. Milroy papers.

It was decided to write and ask for more information and also request the second copy for our records.

It was moved by Virginia Hershman that the Librarian contact Wabash Valley tree surgeons about our hard maple tree. Also see landscape men about plantings for the front of the Library. Second by Ralph Amster, passed.

The Board decided as a friendly gesture toward the Rensselaer schools and Marian Turp. school to entertain the teachers at a coffee hour Sunday Sept. 27, 1960.

Meeting adjourned

Esther B. Allman, Secy.

Oct. 10, 1960.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Oct. 10, 1960.

Those present were: Edson Murray, Wm. Holt, Betty Wright, Loris Hopkins, and Esther Allman.

Minutes read and corrected.

Bills \$385.85 plus (32.00) Holt, Wright

The Coffee was well attended and a good time was had by all. 30-35 present.

Mr. Holt moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the board members who prepared the coffee hour. He being Principal of the High School.

No replies from the St. Library on the Microfilm.  
adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.



Monday Nov. 14, 1960

The Rensselaer Public Library met in regular session. Present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Ralph Amster, Betty Wright, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Herskman, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and stood as given.

Bills of \$214.46 were presented. Motion by R. Amster and W<sup>m</sup> Holt that they be paid, carried.

The Auditors audited the books and found them in order.

The new landscaping of the front of the Library has been contracted for.

Esther allman secy.

Dec. 10 1960

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Monday. Those present were; Edson Murray, Mrs. Robert Wright, Mrs. Virginia Herskman; Mrs. ~~Robert Wright Hopkins~~ Allman. The years business was finished, ready for the new year and budget. Attendance of Board  
Murray 11 Allman 10 Amster 5 Holt 5  
Hopkins 8 Herskman 9 Wright 7 No July meeting.  
Esther allman, Secy.

Jan. 9. 1961

The Rensselaer Public Library board met in regular session.

Present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Ralph Amster, Louise Hopkins, Betty Wright, Esther Allman.

Minutes read and approved.

Bills of \$443.43 moved by Betty Wright second by Ralph Amster. passed.

The question of Mr. Dean going into the Army Reserves was brought before the board. The time being March. No decision was made regarding



a replacement at this meeting

Meeting was adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.

Feb. 13, 1961

The Reno. Public Library Board met in regular meeting Monday Feb. 13, 1961.

Present were Edson Murray, <sup>Wm. Hoyt.</sup> ~~Wm. Hoyt~~, Ralph Amster, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman.

The minutes were read and approved.

Bills for the month were presented <sup>Feb 9, 21</sup> Motion by Amster and second by Hershman that the bills be paid motion carried.

The matter of a repository of Public funds certificate was brought before the Board. Same was ordered.

In the matter of the Librarian, Jordan Dean, leaving for a 6 months Army term the salary of Mrs. Beantlin, assisting librarian, was raised to <sup>\$300.00</sup> ~~\$275.00~~ a month during his absence. A helper to be hired to get <sup>\$175.00</sup> was voted on motion by V. Hershman, and second by R. Amster. carried.

It was decided to charge the Episcopal church <sup>\$10.00</sup> a month for meeting in the Auditorium Sunday mornings. Motion by Hoyt + Amster.

Meeting adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy

March, 13, 1961

Reno Public Library Board held their regular meeting Monday March 13, 1961.

Present were Wm. Hoyt, Ralph Amster, Edward Loy, Esther Allman.

In the absence of the Pres. Edson Murray the Vice Pres. Wm. Hoyt presided.



Mr. Edward Loy, the new member appointed by the Judge, presented his credentials. They were accepted. Mrs. Robert Wright (Betty) was the retiring member.

This being the month for election of new officers, nominations were open. On motion by Ralph Amaker and a second by Ed Loy the same officers were re-elected, Namely Pres. Edson Murray, Vice Pres. W<sup>m</sup>. Kort, Secy. Esther Allman.

Bills of \$403.77 were presented and ordered paid.  
Meeting adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy.

April 10, 1941.

The Penn. Public Library Board met with Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Herskman, Ralph Amaker, members present.

Bills of \$427.11 were presented and moved by V. Herskman, + second by L. Hopkins that they be paid. Motion carried.

Louise Hopkins moved + V. Herskman supported that Mr. R. Lakin be instructed to put in one more evergreen to even out the planting in the front of the Library. Motion carried.

The report received from the State Board of accounts Field Examiners was read by the Board and the recommendations accepted.

Miss. Doris Biggs was hired to assist Mrs. Seawater while the Librarian, S. Swan, was away in the Army for six months. Miss. Kathy Padgett is the high school help after school.

Meeting was adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.



May 8, 1961.

The Russell Public Library Board met at the Public Library Monday May 8, 1961 at 4 P.M. for their regular meeting.

Present were, Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Edward Ley, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, Esther Allman

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$12.<sup>89</sup> were allowed.

It was moved by Louise Hopkins that the City Gas line be put into the Library Building. A five dollar deposit being made.

Edward Ley seconded the motion. It carried.

new rule.

It was the decision of the Russ. Public Library Board that the Library will be open on the regular Library hours for the use of the Auditorium. Non-profit organizations only.

The room to be free for Russell and Marion Twp. residents as these are the units which pay tax to support the Library.

A fee of \$5.<sup>00</sup> minimum will be asked all others. Appointment must be made ahead. If over hours arrangements must be made with Janitor or Librarian.

No further business the meeting adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.

June 12 1961

The Russell Public Library Board met in regular session Monday June 12, 1961

Those present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, Edward Ley, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and stood, Bills allowed were \$244.63. Motion by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt second Edward Ley



The budget meeting was set for the July meeting.

A discussion on changing the furnace from coal to gas. We decided to get estimates.

No further business adjourned

Esther Allman Secy.

July 10, 1961.

The Russelau Public Library Board met to allow current bills.

Present were: Edson Murray, Loris Hopkins, Virginia Hershman, Ralph Amster, Esther Allman.

Bills of \$145.90 were presented. Moved by V. Hershman and a second by L. Hopkins. carried.

The new dial system raised the telephone from ~~from~~ <sup>to</sup> 8.<sup>25</sup> 70 <sup>to</sup> 13.<sup>10</sup>

Meeting was adjourned by President.

Esther Allman Secy.

Aug. 4, 1961.

Russelau Public Library Board members met to discuss the years budget.

Present were Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Ralph Amster, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and bills allowed.

Meeting adjourned

Esther Allman, Secy.

Aug. 7, 1961.

Russelau Public Library Board met.

Present were: Edson Murray, Ralph Amster,



Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Virginia Hershman  
Louise Hopkins, Esther Allman.

The meeting was called to adopt the  
1962 budget as prepared by the committee,  
Edson Murray, Ralph Amster.

Budget was adopted and the meeting  
was adjourned.

Esther Allman Secy.

Sept. 8, 1961.

On Sept. 8, 1961 a meeting of the Budget  
committee was held at the Public Library  
as that was the last date on which a  
remonstrance could be filed against  
the Library budget or levy. No appeal  
was made so the budget stood.

Com. Edson Murray, Ralph Amster.

Sept. 11, 1961.

The regular meeting of the Russ. Public  
Library Board was held Sept. 11, 1961.

Present of the Board were: Edson Murray,  
W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Edward Loy, Virginia Hershman,  
Louise Hopkins.

Bills of 1961<sup>24</sup> were read and approved  
motion by V. Hershman second W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

The librarian Gordon Dean received an  
invitation to the Governor's Library Conference  
to be Sept. 22-23. Permission granted him  
to attend.

On motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt & second Ed Loy  
it was decided to again entertain the Teachers  
from Russell, Marion, and St. Augustine.

Time being Tues. Oct. 3 at 3:30 - 1:00. At a  
Punch Hour.

Food & invitations to be taken care of by



the women of the Board  
Meeting was then adjourned

Esther A. Allman Secy

Oct. 9, 1961

The members present at the Oct. 9, 1961  
Public Library of Russell were: Edson  
Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Herskman,  
+ Esther Allman.

Minutes were read & bills allowed.

Report of book lending for past month was:  
1363 adult and 1405 youth.

Unexpended balance \$6592.95.

The Punch Hour given for the teachers Oct. 3  
from 3:30 - 4:30 proved very popular.

50 were present.

2 jugo juice - 4 bottles of gingerale

7 dozen cookies.

No further business meeting adjourned

Esther Allman secy.

Nov. 18, 1961

The entire board was present for the November  
meeting held in the Russ. Public Library auditorium.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills for \$438.10  
were presented and ordered paid on motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt  
and a support by Louise Hopkins.

Miss. Foste from the Indiana State Library met  
with us to explain the plans for using Federal money  
to broaden library service. It was decided to  
send representatives to the meeting at Lake Village Dec.  
17.

More talk about the furnace but now decide to



put in a new gas one. Will make plans to have  
beds.

Meeting adjourned

Esther A. Allman Secy.

Dec. 11, 1961.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the Public library for their regular meeting.

Members present were; Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Herskman, and Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and stood as read. Bills of \$402.38 were presented, Motion made by V. Herskman and second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt that they be paid. Motion carried.

There was a report on the Dec. 2 meeting held at Lake Village by Gordon Bean & W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

Plans were made to attend another meeting Dec. 13. A motion was made by Virginia Herskman and seconded by W<sup>m</sup> Holt, that the Library Board goes on record as being in favor of the Book-Mobile demonstration in Jasper and Newton Counties.

No further business meeting was adjourned.  
Murray 12, Allman 11, Loy 7, Hopkins 9, Herskman 9, Amster 9  
Holt 8.

Esther A. Allman Secy.

Jan. 8, 1962

Present at the Jan. 8, 1962 Rensselaer Public Library Board meeting were; Edson Murray, Ralph Amster, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Ed Loy, and Esther Allman.

Bills for \$444.67 were presented. Motion to pay them was made by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by Ralph Amster.

The budget for the Book Mobile was presented and approved by the Board. Budget to be sent in immediately to the State Library.



A letter was received in regard to a program for aging adults. The Librarian was advised, thru a motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt & a second by Ralph Amos, to let the "winter know this work is being taken care of thru the Golden Age Club." Motion carried.

No further business meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

Feb. 12, 1962

Members present at the regular monthly meeting of the Rensselaer Public Library Board were; Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther), Edward Loy.

Minutes were read and passed. Bills of \$369.25 were presented. Motion to allow and sign <sup>bills</sup> made by Mrs. Hopkins, second Mrs. Hershman, carried.

The president of the board Edson Murray was authorized by the board members to sign the agreement for Jasper-Norton Public Library Demonstration & proposed contract for supervision of local agencies under Library services Act. Motion made by W<sup>m</sup> Holt, second Edward Loy, carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

March, 19, 1962

The regular meeting of the Rensselaer Public Library Board was held with W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther). present.

The minutes were read & approved, Bills of \$691.47 were presented. Motion by V. Hershman & second by W<sup>m</sup> Holt, passed.

A resolution was made to wit: The Mobile Service is to start April 1<sup>st</sup>. The 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the Jasper, Norton project is Fire service to county residents.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.



April 16 1962

The Russelau Public Library Board met in regular session with four members present: Mrs. John Hopkins (Lorine), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther) and ~~and~~ Edward Loy.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills were presented and allowed.

Applications for bus driver and book mobile clerk were read. No decision was made.

No further business the meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman, Secy.

May 14, 1962.

Russelau Public Library Board met Monday May 14, 1962 in regular session. Present were, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Edward Loy, Mrs. John Hopkins (Lorine), Mrs. Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther).

Minutes were read and approved. Bills to the amount of \$590.<sup>32</sup> were presented. Motion by Edward Loy, second by Mrs. Hershman that they be allowed, Motion carried.

The Board signed the Library emergency appropriation resolution. This was done so the Jasper Co. Newton Co. Library Demonstration could get under way. The check from the St. Library had already arrived.

W<sup>m</sup> Holt was appointed to represent the Board in selecting the bus driver and clerk for the Book Mobile. No further business the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

June 11, 1962.

The Russelau Public Library Board met at the Public Library June 11, 1962 with Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Edward Loy, Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia) and the newly appointed member Carlton Herley present. Miss. Beecher, from the State Library, met with the Board briefly about the S. L. A. project.

O/ the applications received for clerk for the Book



Mobile Mrs. Owen Davison accepted and Mr. A. Bullis for driver. Mrs. Davison began work June 4, 1962 and Mr. Bullis July 2, 1962.

Salaries. Increase for Mr. Dean, Librarian \$200.<sup>00</sup> Mrs. Seath's assistant \$100.<sup>00</sup> These start Jan. 15, 1962  
Mrs. Davison \$315.<sup>00</sup> per month. Mr. Bullis \$300.<sup>00</sup>

The Book mobile has been delayed till Aug. 15, 1962.  
The Indiana room is being cleaned for the Book mobile storage and material.

Bills allowed \$178.<sup>73</sup>

A special meeting of the Board will be June 25, 1962. To consider two budgets & bills. This will be in the evening.

The summer adult reading class meets Wed. ev.  
The High School reading class meets every day.

The subject of microfilm for the Rens. Republican came up again. Edward Hoy moved and W<sup>m</sup> Hoy seconded a motion to buy the second copy at \$5.<sup>00</sup> carried. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. H. F. Allman, secy.

The Rensselaer Library Board has been invited June 30, at Covenant Presbyterian church, West LaFayette, to the wedding of Mr. Gordon Dean & Miss. Molly Loop.

~~July~~ June 25, 1962.

Rensselaer Public Library Board met at a called meeting June 25, 1962 at 7:30 P.M. Present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Hoyt, Carlton Henley, Mrs. John Kopelke (Sonia) Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia) Mrs. H. F. Allman (Esther).

Bills of \$315.82 were presented. on motion by W<sup>m</sup> Hoyt and Mrs. Hershman they were moved paid.

The budget was reviewed item by item and accepted. For the Rens. Public Library moved by W<sup>m</sup> Hoyt & second by Mrs. Hershman. for the I.S.S. moved by Mrs. Hershman and second by Mr. Henley.

The plan is to replace the coal burning furnace



with a natural gas one. If this is not done the budget is flexible enough to give the janitor a raise.  
Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

Aug. 13, 1962.

Regular meeting of the Rensselaer Public Library was held Aug. 13, 1962. Present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Edward Loy, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Cathy)

Bills presented were \$320.<sup>09</sup>. On motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by Mrs. Hershman, they were allowed with the exception of 100.<sup>00</sup>. This amount was for the City Treas. Bond. The Board felt this was too high so it will be looked into and acted upon later.

Plans to advertise for new gas furnace as per specifications were put in a motion by Mrs. Hopkins and W<sup>m</sup> Holt. motion carried.

Mr. ~~Holt~~ Dean, Librarian, made a report on the reading clubs. This project proved very successful.

Meeting was adjourned by the President Mr. Murray

Mrs. K. F. Allman, Secy.

Sept. 9, 1962.

The Rens. Public Library Board met to allow bills as there was no further business. Present were Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Edward Loy and Carlton Henley.

Bills of \$3025.05 were presented. This bill is for both L.S.G. and R.P.G. Mrs. Hopkins moved and Edward Loy seconded that they be paid. carried. The Book Mobile has not arrived as yet. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.



Oct. 9, 1962.

The Russellau Public Library, <sup>Board</sup> met with Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Herskman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther) present.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved. Bills of \$876.<sup>72</sup> were presented. Motion by Mrs. Herskman and second by Mrs. Hopkins that they be paid. approved.

The Book Mobile has not arrived but is promised for November.

As there is a leak in the roof Mr. Burge is to be hired to cover the roof. Motion Mrs. Herskman, Mr. Holt. carried.

A letter asking that the Milroy papers be put on Manuscript in the Indiana Historical Library No action taken.

Because of disturbing students new hours for the Library will be adopted. Mrs. Herskman + Mrs. Hopkins made the motion. carried.

Meeting was adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.

Special meeting ~~Nov.~~ Oct. 29, 1962.

The Board members present were Edson Murray, Carlton Henley, Mrs. John Hopkins, Mrs. Ray Herskman.

Mr. Dean, Librarian suggests having a Book Fair, Nov. 14.

A motion by Mrs. Herskman + second by Mr. Henley to open bids for furnace instolation.

Bids from four firms.

Jones Plumbing + Heating

\$ 1801.<sup>82</sup>

Watson " of Pens.

\$ 1800.<sup>00</sup>

Simons " "

\$ 1684.<sup>00</sup>

Kentland " "

\$ 3200.<sup>00</sup>

Discussion followed. Simons bid was accepted. It was voted by the Board to add a circulating Pump at \$158.<sup>00</sup>. Same to be purchased from



Simons plumbing and heating.  
Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

Nov. 12, 1962.  
Russellau Public Library Board met Monday,  
Nov. 12, 1962 at regular time 4:00 P.M.

Present were Edson Murray, President, Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther) secretary, Edward Loy, and Carlton Henley.

Mins. were read and approved. Bills for local library and I.S.A. project, of \$1237.75. Motion by C. Henley and second E. Loy to pay same. carried.

At the County Budget hearing Nov. 2, 1962 the Library budget was approved. Due to the increase in reassessment the City of Russellau tax <sup>levy</sup> was placed at 13 cents the old rate being 15 cents. Marion trip was left at 15 cents.

The new furnace is to be installed the last of this month. The Book Mobile is in operation and meeting with great success.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, Secy.

Dec. 27, 1962.

The last meeting of 1962 of the Russellau Public Library Board was held. Members present were, Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Carlton Henley, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise) Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther)

Mins. were read and approved. Bills were presented and signed. Each meeting four members of the Board must sign the bills. \$4501.02 Total. operating was \$1353.50 (payment on new furnace included) I.S.A. \$3647.52. Motion by Mrs. Hopkins second C. Henley to pay same. passed.

On motion by Edward Loy and second Mrs. J. Hopkins, the Librarian was instructed to prepare cards to be sent to holders of delinquent books.



Motion carried. The gas furnace is in and the janitor was authorized to take care of demolishing the old coal bin. He says he can get this done for the lumber.  
Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

Jan 4, 1963.

The Russellau Public Library Board met with Board members present to wit: Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Carlton Kinley, Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther)

Minutes were read and approved. Bills at Total of \$1178.50, Break down. I.S.A. fund \$252.52, Operating \$925.96. (rest of furnace)

The State Bank was designated as depository for Library Bonds.

The Janitor problem was settled. He gets \$100.<sup>00</sup> amo. dollars for cleaning. Snow, grass, & leaves to be kind extra.  
Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

Feb. 11, 1963.

The Russellau Public Library Board met with members present, Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Mrs. John Hopkins (Louise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia), Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther)

Minutes were read and approved. Bills: operating \$229.68 I.S.A. \$170.82, Motion by Mrs. Hopkins, second Mrs. Hershman, that they be signed & paid. carried.

The coal bin is empty but needs cleaning for storage. On motion by Edward Loy & second by Mrs. Hopkins The Librarian was to hire the room painted and the lower hall paneled up as far as wainscoting. carried.

Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The district Library Assn. will meet in Russellau. Tues. 16 of ~~April~~ <sup>March</sup> was set aside as a day to make plans. The Board voted to invite the The Assn. Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman secy.



March 11, 1963.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board held their regular meeting Monday March 11, 1963.

Members present: Edson Murray, Carlton Henley, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Mrs. John Hopkins (Lorise), Mrs. Ray Hershman (Virginia) and Mrs. K. F. Allman (Esther). Edward Loy.

Bills were presented 2.9. a fund \$715.24, local operating fund 399.35, Total \$1114.59. Motion by Virginia Hershman and second by C. Henley. To pay bills. Motion carried and bills were signed.

Annual election is in March. Motion by Virginia Hershman and second by Ed Loy that the same officers be elected. Motion carried. Pres. E. Edson Murray, Vice Pres. W<sup>m</sup> Holt. Secy. Mrs. K. F. Allman.

Meeting was adjourned by the Pres.

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

April 8, 1963.

Rensselaer Public Library Board members met in regular session.

Present were W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Mrs. Ray Hershman, Mrs. John Hopkins, Edward Loy and Mrs. K. F. Allman. Vice Pres. W<sup>m</sup> Holt presided.

2.9. a bill for \$774.<sup>80</sup> and local budget bills \$676.<sup>05</sup> Total \$1450.85 were presented. On motion by Virginia Hershman and second by Ed Loy the bills were voted on and passed.

The business ~~considered~~ was on the forming of a children's library in the auditorium. The board gave their permission to the Librarian Gordon Dean to make his plans.

Also the need of extra typing help was made known. Was decided to get a typist from the school for hours needed. Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.



May 13, 1963.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session May 13, Monday at 4:00 P.M. Those present were: W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Carlton Herley, Edward Loy, Mrs. John Hopkins (Lorise) and Mrs. R.F. Allman (Esther).

Bills: I.S.A. \$127.<sup>39</sup> + local \$171.<sup>48</sup>. Total \$298.<sup>87</sup> Motion made by Lorise Hopkins and a second by Ed Loy that they be passed. Carried.

A room in basement needed painting and on motion by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt and second by C. Herley the Librarian was given permission to hire it done.

This May our library was hosts to the Northern district librarians.

Coffee and rolls were served in our auditorium by the board. A bill of \$3.<sup>55</sup> was allowed Mrs. John Hopkins for this coffee hour. The meeting and lunch was held in the Presbyterian Church.

The librarian, Gordon Dean, thanked the members of the Board and congratulated them on their co-operation.

Mrs. R.F. Allman, Secy.

June 10, 1963.

Rensselaer Public Library Board members met Monday 4:00 P.M. June 10, 1963.

Members present: Edson Murray, Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt and Mrs. John Hopkins.

Minutes were read & approved.

Bills: I.S.A. 987.<sup>93</sup> local \$12.81 Motion to pay same by Ed Loy and Lorise Hopkins. passed.

The librarian was instructed to dispose of old sink, books, pictures and other articles useless.

The Budget to be discussed at next meeting. Librarian instructed to investigate cabinet sink and repairs. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. R.F. Allman Secy.



Aug. 13, 1963.

Library Board members met. Present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Edward Loy, Louise Hopkins, Carlton Henley, Virginia Hershman and Esther Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills were presented and on motion by Louise Hopkins and second Edward Loy they were passed and signed by the Board.

The Board decided to ask for a .15¢ tax levy. Motion by Virginia Hershman and second by Louise Hopkins. motion carried.

The date of Sept. 3, 1963 was set for the Board to meet to hear remonstrances from tax payers on the Library Budget and levies for 1963.

Meeting adjourned.

Mr. R. F. Allman secy.

Sept. 3, 1963.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Sept. 3, 1963 in special meeting to hear remonstrances from tax payers on the Budget and levy for 1963. No tax payer appeared  
Meeting adjourned

Mr. R. F. Allman secy.

Sept. 9, 1963.

Rensselaer Public Library met Monday Sept. 9-63 Members present were, Edson Murray, ~~Carlton~~ Carlton Henley, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hopkins and Esther Allman.

Minutes read and approved. Bills: I.S.A. 488.<sup>88</sup> - 947.<sup>98</sup> local Budget. Motion by Virginia Hershman second by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt. passed.

No further business Meeting adjourned

Mr. R. F. Allman, Secy.



Oct. 21, 1963.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session. Members present were: Edson Murray, Loris Hopkins, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Edward Loy.

Minutes were read and allowed. Bills: L.S.A. #90.45 Moved to pass W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, 2<sup>nd</sup> L. Hopkins. Local Budget was passed.

Auditors report approved our records.

Announced a Radio program each Sunday by our Librarian.

Childrens Book week program Fri. Nov. 15. with special invitation to new teachers  
Moved to adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

Nov. 11, 1963.

Rensselaer Public Library Board held their regular meeting Monday 4:00 P.M. Members present: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Carlton Henley, and Esther Allman. Virginia Herschman, Loris Hopkins.

Minutes read and approved. Bills: I.S.A. #3.67, local #97.76. Motion to pay bills made by Loris Hopkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carlton Henley. motion passed. Bills were signed.

Friday, Nov. 15, was the Childrens Book week. At 7:30 P.M. Mary Evans Andrews, author, lectured and showed slides at a public meeting. Well attended.

The Childrens Library in the Auditorium is in charge of Mrs. Maurice Hammond.

Meeting was adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, secy.

Dec. 9, 1963.

Rensselaer Public Library Board members met Monday Dec. 9, 1963. Members present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Carlton Henley, Esther Allman.

Minutes were read by the secretary, was



approved by the Board

Bills: S.S.A. \$305.<sup>49</sup>, local \$171.<sup>27</sup> total \$476.<sup>76</sup> On motion to pay a motion by Carlton Henley and 2<sup>nd</sup> W<sup>m</sup>. Holt. Was passed by the Board and signed.

The Librarian, Gordon Dean, suggested we advertise in the State Library paper that we would have a vacancy here in 6 months or a year. He was authorized to write to library schools at this time. Mr. Dean is intending to further his education.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman: secy.

January 13 1964

The Russell County Public Library Board met Jan. 13, 1964 for their regular meeting.

Present were: Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Edward Gay, Carlton Henley, and Mrs. K. F. Allman.

Minutes were read and approved.

Bills for S.S.A fund \$935.18, operating fund \$404.69. On motion by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt & second by Ed Gay bills were approved and ordered paid.

Since Mr. Dean, librarian, is making plans to quit library work he was instructed by the board to write to colleges to find if any graduates would be interested.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

February 10, 1964

The Russell County Public Library Board met at regular meeting in the Public Library Feb. 10, 1964.

Present were: Edson Murray, Carlton Henley, Mrs. John Hopkins, Virginia, Mrs. Ray Hershman, Mrs. K. F. Allman.

Minutes read & approved. Bills \$9.169.11 operating \$589.02 Total \$598.13. Motion by W. Hershman & second by C. Henley. passed.

Librarian instructed to look into a reader for



micro film.

Indiana U. & Illinois U. answered letters inquiring for a librarian. No luck. Mrs. Langston suggested we write to larger libraries for recommendations also advertise in Occurrent. This was done. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. R. F. Allman, Secy.

No March meeting.

April, 13, 1964.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday April 13, 1964 at the Public Library. Present were Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Carlton Henley, Mrs. R. F. Allman, Mrs. John Hopkins, and Mrs. Ray Herskman.

Minutes were read & approved. Bills I. & A. 253.82 operating \$42.56 Motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by V. Herskman that that bills be ordered paid. passed.

No report on micro film reader.

Mrs. M<sup>c</sup>Watt of New York made an informal call at the library to make inquiries about the vacancy.

The Librarian reported that after talking to the County Commissioners he thought the Townships would levy an 8 cent tax for the county library and the Mobile Book Mobile. Hope to know in May.

Librarian ask for volunteers to help the Librarian check lists of voters to get signers.

Budget com: C. Henley, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Edson Murray. Voted to pay the wages of Librarians & board members who wished to attend the District meeting. Holt & Hopkins made the motion carried. (no one went)

As the time to elect officers is in March and no meeting was held by motion by Carlton Henley & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Louise Hopkins, the same slate was reelected, namely. Edson Murray, President, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, V. Pres. Esther Allman, Secy.

Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. R. F. Allman, Secy.



May 18, 1964.

The Russell Public Library Board met at the Public Library Monday May, 18, 1964.

Present were: W<sup>m</sup> J. Holt, Carlton Henley, Edward Lay, Louise Hopkins.

In the absence of the Pres. & Secy. W<sup>m</sup> Holt V. Pres. presided.

Bills: L.S.A. \$263.39 - operating \$276.40 total \$539.79 Motion by Ed Lay & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Louise Hopkins that these bills be ordered paid. passed.

Progress report on Co. Extension was made by Librarian Gordon Dean and Board Pres. Edson Murray. They attended commissioners meeting May 4, 1964, and presented formal notice of extension of service to the county thru the Book Mobile. The Commissioners asked for petitions showing support of the Co. Library Service. Petitions are due back by May 29 and will be presented to Co. Commissioners June 1. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. John Hopkins Secy. Pro.

June 8, 1964

Russell Public Library Board met at the Public Library June 8, 1964. Present were, Edson Murray, Louise Hopkins, Virginia Herskman, Carlton Henley, and Esther Allman. Edward Lay.

Minutes were read & approved. Bills for allowed L.S.A. dues was allowed, Hopkins & Herskman.

On Progress report, there were 1055 names on the township petitions.

There will be a special meeting of the Co. Commissioners June 10 to act on the petitions. Remonstrances will be heard till June 20, 1964.

A letter was received from a Miss Denna Babcock applying for the Librarian opening. Also one from Mrs. McWath she demands more salary than can be paid here.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. R. F. Allman Secy.



Aug. 1, 1964.

Russell Public Library Board met in special session to review the 1965 budget. Monday Aug. 10, 1964 was set for the final agreement on this Budget.

Those present were: Edson Murray, Carlton Henly, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Louise (Mrs. John) Hopkins, Esther (Mrs. K. F.) Allman

Mr. Dean took budget to type to make ready for the Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The report on the applicants for Librarian was reviewed. It was decided to ask Miss. Donna Babcock to meet with the board at the Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mrs. Hopkins to check on her references.

Sept. 7 was set as the meeting to ask the County Board members to meet with the Russell Public Library Board.

No demonstrators came in against the County Library it passed and the County members were appointed in July 1964. Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, Secy.

Monday Aug. 10, 1964.

Members of the Russell Public Library Board present at this called meeting: were, Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Carlton Henly, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Virginia Herskman and Esther Allman.

The finances of the Library were discussed. As the Librarian took the copy of the worked out Budget a new one had to be made out. The new Budget was reviewed and ordered Typed to be signed by members.

On motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Virginia Herskman was made to authorize the President and Secy to open the Public Library mail dating many months back. Motion passed.

Miss. Donna Babcock was present at this meeting and the Board voted to hire her at \$500.<sup>00</sup> a year. She to start the last week in Aug. Her pay will be \$400.<sup>00</sup> a month till Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1965. Two weeks vacation the 1<sup>st</sup> year.

Mrs. K. F. Allman



The I.S.A. funds have been held due to the lack of the Librarian, Mr. Gordon Dean, submitting the necessary reports.

233

Aug 31 - 64.

The Russellau Public Library Board met Aug. 31 - 64  
Present were: Edson Murray, Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt,  
Carlton Henly, Virginia Hershman, Louise Hepkins,  
Esther Allman.

Mr. Gordon Dean met with the Board to help make out the bills. Many of the back bills were signed and ordered paid. All will be paid this month.

On motion by Louise Hepkins & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Virginia Hershman, Edson Murray, Board President was authorized to sign the voucher for June, July & Aug. to get the I.S.A. service fund. passed.

Motion by W<sup>m</sup>. Holt & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Louise Hepkins to suspend the lending library service for the present passed. There are many new books unopened to be ~~passed~~ processed.

A resolution to transfer sufficient funds from the operating fund to the Book Mobile claims Motion by Loy & Henly passed.

Motion by C. Henly that the Librarian, Miss Babcock, make no purchases nor pay any bills unauthorized by the Board till further notice, 2<sup>nd</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, passed.

When opening the mail it was found that the entire Board is invited to a set up meeting at 7:00 Sept. 15 in Brook. Representatives of the State Library to explain the duties of the County Library. This evening the Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting adjourned.

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

Sept. 8, 1964,

The Russellau Public Library Board met Monday Sept. 8, 1964 at the library. Present were, Edson Murray, W<sup>m</sup>. Holt, Mrs. John Hopkins, Mrs. Ray Hershman and Mrs. K. F. Allman.

Minutes were read and passed. Bills were presented on motion by Loy and second by Hershman they were allowed and ordered paid.

Secy



A motion to let, The Milroy Papers be allowed to be photographed by the St. Library. Papers to be in care of Mrs. Edwin Rhodes. Holt & Hopkins, carried.

The library auditorium to be available during Library hours when not being used by the Library. This service to nonprofit patrons.

Decided to allow 6 books for adults & 3 for children at one time. Book Mobile to make their own exceptions. 2 weeks renewal unless a waiting list. The members of the board allowed with out fines. Fines to be only for week days. final limit to fine the cost of book. Send over due cards after 1 week. Holt, Hopkins, passed.

The I. S. A. funds have been with held due to the lack of the Librarian, Gordon Dean, sending necessary reports to State. Back 2 years.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.

Oct. 11, 1964.

The Penasolan Public Library Board met Oct. 11 1964 at the Library in regular session.

Present were Edson Murray, Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup>, Holt, Carlton Henley, Mrs. John Hopkins, Mrs. Ray Herskman and Mrs. K. F. Allman.

Minutes were read and approved. Bills were presented, signed by Board members and ordered paid.

A motion by Herskman and second by Loy, that a Purchase order be required and approved by the Board for all purchases. passed.

At each meeting the Librarian's report shall include the following, Bills to be allowed, purchase orders to be approved, the account Book open for inspection of budget items, circulation report, any report due the state.

Meeting adjourned

Mrs. K. F. Allman Secy.



Nov. 9 1964

Rensselaer Library Board met in regular session at 7:30 Monday evening Nov. 9 1964, with the following members present: Edson Murray, Mrs. Ray Herskman, Mrs. John Hopkins, Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup> Holt.

A motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was made by Loy & seconded by Mrs. Herskman. Motion carried.

Bill submitted and approved for payment were \$93.54

A motion to stamp all books loaned by the library with the due date was made by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Hopkins. Motion carried.

In a discussion of the matter ~~whether~~ whether book fines may be set aside under extreme circumstances the Board arrived at the decision that the librarian and helper may use their own judgement.

The purpose of fines is to get books returned not to raise money.

A motion to approve the signing of vouchers for I.S. A funds for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 1964 by Mr. Murray was made by Mrs. Hopkins & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Herskman. Motion carried.

Mr. Murray informed the board that additional appropriations would be needed in some budget areas to operate the remainder of the year and to pay for books already bought. The Board agreed to proceed with the advertising required by law before the transfers can be made.

Miss Babcock, librarian, gave a brief report of her trip to Indianapolis to attend the state convention.

Meeting adjourned.  
W<sup>m</sup> Holt seen problem.

Nov. 16, 1964.

A special meeting of the Rens. Public Library Board was held the evening of Nov. 16, 1964. at the home of Mrs. Ray Herskman. Present were: Edson Murray, Edward Loy, Carleton Kenley, Mrs. John Hopkins, Mrs. K. F. Allman and Mrs. R. Herskman. The meeting was



for the purpose of reviewing the budget needs and having same published by the Co. Auditor.  
No further business meeting adjourned.

Ms. H. F. Allman secy.

Nov. 30, 1964.

Russell Public Library Board met at 4:00 P.M. Nov. 30, 1964. Present were, Pres. Edson Murray, V. Pres. W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Mrs. Ray Herskman, Edward Loy, Mrs. John Hopkins, and the secy, Ms. H. F. Allman.

The min. of the last meeting was read and accepted. Bills of regular salaries, \$893.40, Utilities \$880.31, other bills \$22.07 were allowed.

The Mayor Emmett Eager ask for a list of the Library Board members, when appointed and by which agency. The secy was instructed to deliver same.

The Library Emergency adjustment of the Budget was presented & published in the 2 news papers. Final report later.

Members of the board met at 2:00 P.M. at the library to hear remonstrances. None were made.

Miss. Donna Babcock, the librarian, offered her resignation and gave the Board 30 days notice, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1964. Mrs. Ray Herskman made a motion to accept the resignation. A second by Edward W<sup>m</sup> Holt. Motion carried. Motion by Mrs. Hopkins to waive the 30 days notice and pay for the month of Dec: 2<sup>nd</sup> by Edward Loy. Passed. The Board is as follows.

|                     |      |                      |
|---------------------|------|----------------------|
| Mrs. John Hopkins   | 1965 | app. City Council    |
| Mr. Edson Murray    | 1966 | " " "                |
| Edward Loy          | 1968 | " Judge of the court |
| Ms. H. F. Allman    | 1967 | " " "                |
| Carlton Henley      | 1966 | " " "                |
| W <sup>m</sup> Holt | 1967 | School Board         |
| Mrs. Ray Herskman   | 1968 | " " "                |



Meeting adjourned

Mrs. H. F. Allman Secy.

Dec. 14, 1964.

The Russellour Public Library Trustees met in regular session Monday 4:00 P.m. at the Library. Those Present were: Edson Murray, Mrs. Herskman, W<sup>m</sup> Holt, Carleton Henley, Mrs. Allman.

Min. were read and approved. Bills of 187.85 were allowed.

On new or reappointed Board members policy Motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henley that each of the appointing agencies namely, City Council, School Board, and Judge of the Court, make their appointments to the Library Board early in the year, effective March 1<sup>st</sup> for 4 years. March 1<sup>st</sup> being the Boards organizing date. Motion carried.

The transfers in the budget asked for by the Board will be reviewed by the St. Tax Board Dec. 16, 1964 at 9:30 a.m. in the Auditors office.

Motion by W<sup>m</sup> Holt and second by C. Henley that Mrs. Helen Seauthin be made temporary acting Librarian. Motion passed.

Mrs. H. F. Allman Secy.

Dec. 29, 1964.

The Russellour Public Library Board members met Wed. Dec. 29, 1964 in a special session. Object being to clear all bills & yearly business of 1964.

Present were, Edson Murray, Carleton Henley, Mrs. John Hopkins, Mrs. Ray Herskman, Mrs. H. F. Allman

The min. were read and stood as read.

Bill of 813.12 were presented. On motion by Mrs. Herskman and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Hopkins they were allowed. At this time we are paying O. A. S. I bills



for 1963 - ~~10.94~~<sup>4</sup> 10.94 ~~11.12~~<sup>4</sup> 11.12 1964. This clears the slate to June 30, 1964.

Mrs. Hershman reported a telephone conversation with the St. Library in regard to the Book orders also on the Mobile wheels and tires.

Tri Kappa Associates presented the Children's library with a clock so the boys & girls can see how long they can stay. Also the had the Library clock overhauled. It is in its place and running as good as ever.

The names and tenure of the Library Board was given to the Mayor as requested. The council has one appointment to make before March 1<sup>st</sup> 1965. Much praise is due the Board President Edson Murray, for all the hours he has spent straightening the tangle of unpaid bills left by the mismanagement of the former librarian, Mr. Dean. Thanks to all the Board members who stood by helping to accomplish a task which seemed, last August, to be impossible. The way is almost clear now. A qualified Librarian is being needed now.

Mrs. K. F. Allman, Secy.

January 11 1965

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at the Library Monday, Jan. 11, 1965

Present were: Edson Murray, Edward Loy, W<sup>m</sup> Hoyt Carlton Henley Mrs. K. F. Allman and Mr. <sup>R. H. H. H. H.</sup> ~~W. H. H. H.~~ from the Co. Library Board.

Bills were presented, \$79.09, Motion Loy Henley, passed, min. were read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Hoyt that we discontinue Merton Co. Telephone bills. second by Loy, passed.

Edward Loy reported that there was 65000 ins in building - 15000 contents - 30000 contents.

It was moved to take the Book service again to help replenish the shelves. Henley & Loy passed. Mrs. Hopkins was appointed liaison member with



Newtown Co. Mr. Wortley was asked to report on Book Mobile runs & tires.

February 8, 1965

The Rensselaer Public Library board members and the members of the County Library met Monday, Feb. 8, 1965 at the Library. Present were: Edson Murray, Wm. Walt, Carlton Henley, Edward Loy, Robert Wuerthner, Mrs. Paul Zimmer, Mrs. K. F. Allman, Mrs. John Hopkins, and Mrs. Ray Heiskman.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills were presented and signed. Motion by Mrs. Hopkins, seconded by Wm. Walt passed to pay the bills.

Edward Loy reported that workmen's compensation is taken care of by the present insurance.

It was made in the form of a motion by Mrs. Hopkins that officers be elected each year with a limit of three years. It was seconded by Carlton Henley and the motion carried.

An election was held & the new officers to take office March 1. The President, William Walt and the Secretary, Virginia Heiskman.

On Feb. 23 a joint meeting with all the Library Board members from Jasper and Newton Counties will be held in the Rensselaer Library. A representative from the State Library will be present.

An old bill for supplies to Dayland Co. was approved. Mr. Wuerthner was appointed to investigate further new tires for the Bookmobile.



On February 13, 1965 board members and librarians from Brook, Morocco Lake Village, and Kentland, and Penseance County Book met together at the Penseance Public Library. Mrs. L. E. Murray presided. Mrs. John Hopkins explained the operation and finances of the Bookmobile. Penseance pays  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the cost and receives  $4\frac{2}{3}$  days service while Jasper County pays  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the cost and receives  $9\frac{1}{3}$  days every three weeks of service. By circulation in January Penseance borrowed 916 books and Jasper County 1972 books. A discussion of problems and suggestions continued until the close of the meeting. Schedules, monthly reports, discipline, and F.D. cards were some of the topics. Mrs. Miriam Davis from the Stark Library attended.

On February 15, 1965 the Board of Finance of the Penseance Public Library resolved that the proposals of the Stark Bank of Penseance and the Farmers' Merchants Bank of Penseance be and they are hereby accepted and said banks hereby are designated as depositories under of the laws of the State of Indiana including the Depository Act of 1937 for the following municipal corporation: The Penseance Public Library. Carlton Herley was designated President and Virginia Herleman, secretary.

The Penseance Public Library Board together with the County members met in session Monday, March 8 at 4:00 p.m. Robert Wenzel, Mrs. K. F. Allmon, Edson Murray, William Holt, Mrs. Paul Zimmer, and Mrs. Ray Herleman were present. The minutes were read and approved. Ed Loy was reappointed to a four year term by Judge



Leopold. Mrs. Edward Blumenthal was appointed by the city council to a 4 yr term.

Robert Wuerthner reported on the tires and wheels for the Brookmobile. Arkord's bid was \$70 per tire (Gordyan). Brookstein's bid was \$61 per tire (U.S. Royal) Mrs. Herley moved and Mrs. Zimmer seconded that we accept the bid of the Brookstein's for 4 tires, and ~~and~~ ~~the~~ add the bid of Biggs for the rims. The motion carried.

Bills of \$517.11 were read and signed. Mrs. Allman moved and Mrs. Wuerthner seconded that these bills be allowed.

A new president was elected. Ed Ley was nominated by Corleum Herley and seconded by Mrs. Allman. A unanimous ballot was cast.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Herkman, Sec.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met with the county members ~~met~~ in regular session April 12, 1965, at 7:30 p. m. William Hall, Elizabeth Zimmer, Lillian Blumenthal, Robert Wuerthner, and Virginia Herkman were present. The minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$902.74 were read and signed. Mrs. Zimmer moved and Mrs. Blumenthal seconded that these be approved. The motion carried.

Robert Wuerthner explained that the wheels for the Brookmobile were purchased from Pass Body Shop as the Biggs rims did not fit.

The contract with Norton County was discussed and amended. The tentative contract Mrs. Wuerthner moved and Mrs. Zimmer seconded the motion that the tentative contract be sent



to Newton County for their discussion. The motion carried. Mrs. Walt will request a meeting with their county board for signing of the contract.

Vacation policy was discussed. For the Bookmobile the Board recommended two weeks vacation following the close of school. Mrs. Hammond will receive two weeks vacation and Miss Fenwick one week.

Other suggestions and problems were discussed as follows: identification or Library cards for children in the Bookmobile; new catalog ~~for~~ file for Bookmobile and the Library; air conditions to be checked; yard mowing <sup>2</sup> per job; new stairway treads; a budget committee.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Neeshorn, Secretary

May 10, 1965

The Berksdale Public Library met at 7:00 p.m. Monday, May 10, 1965. Ed Lay, William Walt, Lillian Blumenthal, <sup>Life member</sup> and Virginia Neeshorn were present. The minutes were read and approved. Ed Lay moved and Lillian Blumenthal seconded the motion that bills of \$183.48 <sup>be</sup> ~~was~~ approved. A \$900 check, the last L.S.A. installment, was received.

The district meeting will be held at Culver May 20. The Library will close in the entire staff may attend. On June 8 ~~a~~ a budget meeting will be held at Bennington.

The summer Bookmobile schedule was presented to the Board and will be sent to Mrs. Arbuckle at Lake Village for Newton County's approval.

The request for the use of the dramatics room by the TOPS club was turned down as was



after regular Library hours is against Board policy.

Summer hours for the Library will be:  
9:30 - 5:30 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and  
Saturday; 9:30 - 12:30 Thursday and 9:30 - 9:00  
Friday.

City Insurance Association report will  
be presented in June.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Westman, Secy.

June 14, 1965

The regular June meeting of the Resolved  
Library Board ~~was~~ was held at 4:00 p.m.  
June 14, 1965 with Mrs. Elizabeth Zimmer,  
Carlton Herley, L. E. Murray, Esther Allman,  
William Hall, and Virginia Westman in  
attendance.

The minutes were approved as corrected  
and bills of \$438.50 were allowed upon the  
motion and second of Carlton Herley and  
Elizabeth Zimmer.

Mrs. Murray reported on the Budget  
meeting held at Remington. He commented  
on the legality of petty cash in Libraries now.

Mrs. Alberta Boardman of Detroit was  
appointed by the Commissioners to fill the  
unexpired term of Mrs. Lois Eaker, who  
had resigned.

Mrs. Osburn was hired as the new  
custodian.

It was moved by Carlton Herley and  
seconded by Esther Allman that the Board  
purchase new card catalog cabinets (2-12  
drawer & 1-18 drawer) at approximately  
\$235 subject to the approval of the Librarian.  
L. E. Murray moved and E. Zimmer seconded



that Librarians be instructed to buy \$1300 worth of books for the Bookmobile and 500 for the City Library as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Hueston, Sec.

July 12, 1965  
The Russell County Public Library Board met at 4:00 p.m. July 12, 1965 with Mrs. Ed Lay <sup>V.P.</sup> presiding. Mrs. Esther Allmon, L. E. Murray, Lillian Blumenthal, Ed Lay, and Virginia Hueston attended.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected. Bills of \$148.26 were allowed by motion of Mrs. Blumenthal and Mrs. Murray.

The budget was discussed.

It was decided to advertise locally for someone to fill the position of Head Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Hueston, Sec.

July 28, 1965  
The County and City Boards met together in special session. Carlton Henley, Ed Lay, William Holt, Bob Wuerchner, L. E. Murray, Alberta Bond, and Virginia Hueston attended.

Mrs. Murray moved and Mrs. Henley seconded that the entire budget of \$42,203.00 be accepted. The motion carried. Mrs. Wuerchner moved and Mrs. Bond seconded that the county budget be approved. The motion carried. The Bookmobile budget is \$18,942.00 of which Newton Co. pays  $\frac{1}{3}$ , 6,314, and Jasper County,  $\frac{2}{3}$  - 12,628. The total Jasper County



Budget for 1966 is \$17,626.00

Mr. Herley moved and Mr. Loy seconded that estimates for replacement of front doors be obtained as well as painting exterior trim estimates. The motion carried.

Mr. Ed. Loy moved and Mrs. Ronda seconded that Barbara Fisher be employed as a half-time Head Librarian. The motion carried.

The Newton County Board met with the Board later in the evening and accepted this Respectfully submitted,  
 show of the Bricksville budget. Virginia L. Newkman, Sec.

August 9, 1965

The Rosseland Public Library Board together with the Jasper County Board met in regular session at 4 p.m. Monday, August 9. Mrs. Barbara Fisher attended the meeting. Members of the boards attending were J. E. Murray, Ed. Loy, Albert Ronda, Lillian Blumenthal, Esther Allison, Elizabeth Zimmer, and Virginia Newkman.

Bills of \$323.16 were allowed upon motion and second of Mrs. Zimmer and Mrs. Blumenthal. Motion carried.

The budget was reviewed and signed. The Public Hearing will be Sept. 8.

The original copying papers, housed in the Rosseland Public Library, have been returned after having them photographed in Indianapolis. A copy will be given to us when ready.

~~The Public~~ Mr. Murray was asked to look into the possibility of getting a microfilm reader — perhaps through the State Library. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Virginia Newkman, Sec'y



September 8, 1965

The Bensalem Public Library Board with the Jasper County Library Board met in regular session Wednesday, September 8, at 4:00 p.m. Elizabeth Zimmer, Carlton Henley, Esther Allison, L. E. Murray, Robert Wuerthner, and William Hall, and Virginia Krishman attended.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$474.17 were presented and ~~approved~~ allowed by motion of Carlton Henley and Esther Allison.

Microfilm reader prices were discussed and the librarian, Mrs. Fisher, will present a further report at the next meeting.

Mrs. Fisher reported on the need for personnel and equipment. Mrs. Zimmer moved and Mr. Wuerthner seconded that Mr. Hall should price and buy a electric typewriter and electric adding machine to meet the needs of Miss Fenwick.

Mr. Henley moved and Mr. Murray seconded upon the recommendation of Mrs. Fisher that the Board hire a full time clerk to serve both the Library and Borknabe plus high school students as pages.

New donors were discussed and Mr. Murray moved and Mr. Henley seconded that donors be purchased and installed as soon as prices could be established. Estimates are \$750.

Other items of business discussed were stone driveway at the rear of the building to facilitate the loading-unloading of the Borknabe; petty cash fund, now legal, be set up; drinking fountain and public rest rooms; microfilming of the Bensalem Population at approximately \$100. to be discussed with Mr. Keith Perkins. The circulation report was presented.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Krishman, Secy



October 11, 1965

The Rensselaer Public Library Board together with the Jasper County Library met in regular session Monday, October 11, 1965 at 4:00 p.m.  
 The minutes were read and approved.

Bills of \$1,239.10 were allowed upon motion and second of Elizabeth Zimmer and Lillian Blumenthal.

The 1965 budget was reviewed. Mrs. Allman moved and Carlton Penley seconded the motion that \$75 <sup>from</sup> <sup>transferred</sup> from Communications to Printing (Section #2); \$90 from Insurance to Employee cost of Social Security (Section #5); \$71 from Books to Equipment (Section #7). The motion carried.

Interior needs were discussed - painting, desks, chairs, water cooler, rest room.

Schuyler Robinson requested the Board consider extending the Library hours.

The circulation report was presented.

The following members were present: Wm. Nalt, Robert Wuerthel, Esther Allman, Elizabeth Zimmer, Lillian Blumenthal, Virginia Neesham, along with Mrs. Fisher.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Neesham, Sec.

November 1, 1965

The Rensselaer Public Library met in regular session Monday, November 1, 1965. Ed Loy, William Nalt, <sup>Lillian Blumenthal</sup> Esther Allman, Virginia Neesham, and the Librarian, Mrs. Fisher, were present.

The minutes were approved and bills of \$1564.74 were allowed upon motion and second of



Ed Loy and Esther Allmon.

The circulation report was given.

The additional appropriation was approved and advertised. The motion was made by Esther Allmon and seconded by Ed Loy.

Installation of new doors was discussed and beds were considered. Esther Allmon moved and Lillian Blumenthal recorded that Donnelly's bids of \$585 plus side panels, carpeting, & safety bars be accepted. The motion carried.

The hours of the Library were adjusted to 10-8:30 Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs; 10-9, Fri; 9-5, Sat.

The president, William Hall, appointed Mrs. Henley and Mrs. Huskisson to an interior equipment committee; and Mrs. Loy and Mrs. Hart will act as the painting committee.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Huskisson, Secy

December 13, 1965

The Russell Public Library Board met December 13, 1965, for a regular meeting. L. E. Murray, Carlton Henley, William Hall, Lillian Blumenthal, Elizabeth Zimmer and Virginia Huskisson were present.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$2606.05 <sup>and \$277.61</sup> were delivered upon motion and second of Mrs. Henley and Mrs. Murray.

Salary schedules were discussed and Mrs. Henley moved and Mrs. Huskisson recorded that the proposed salary schedule be approved. The motion carried. L. E. Murray moved and Carlton Henley recorded that a bonus of 100 be given Mrs. Fisher for her services rendered during her leave of absence.

Mrs. Earl Larson is the new janitor.

Mrs. Blumenthal moved - Mrs. Henley recorded that change motion.



major classification be made as follows: Sum. P. 10.89

The interior equipment committee reported on the audio-visual center, chairs, and microfilm cabinets.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Hershman, Secy.

January 10, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday, Jan. 10, 1966 for a regular meeting. L. E. Murray, Lillian Blumenthal, Carlton Perley, William Hart, Virginia Hershman, and the librarian, Mrs. Fisher were present.

The minutes were read and approved.

The January bills of \$44.90 were approved. Carlton Perley moved and Lillian Blumenthal seconded that the bills be allowed.

The District meeting will be May 11 at Hailick Center Ballroom.

Thank-you notes were read from Mrs. Fisher.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Hershman, Secy

February 14, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Monday, February 14, 1966, for a regular meeting. Esther Allman, Sandra Culp, William Hart, Ed Lay, Virginia Hershman, and Barbara Fisher, the librarian, were present.

The minutes were read and approved. Mrs. Allman moved and Ed Lay seconded the claims be allowed. The motion carried. <sup>\$517.55</sup>



of resignation was read  
 A letter from Otto Casal, who had been a  
 member of the County Board.

The annual report was read and discussed.  
 Substations at Wheatfield and the Spotts  
 were discussed.

Virginia Herkman moved and Ed Loy seconded  
 that the Librarian be instructed to ask the State  
 Library to conduct a feasibility study toward  
 enlarging the building. The motion carried.  
 The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
 Virginia Herkman

March 14, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library <sup>Bd.</sup> met at <sup>the</sup> Library  
 Monday, March 14, 1966, at 7:30 p.m. The city board  
 members present were Mildred Mc Mahan, the  
 new member appointed by the City Council for a  
 four year term; Esther Allman; Ed Loy; and  
 Virginia Herkman. County Board members included  
 the above and Robert Wuerchner, Elizabeth Zimmer,  
 and Gordon Culp.

Vice-President Ed Loy conducted the meeting  
 in the absence of the President. The minutes were  
 read and approved. Esther Allman moved and  
 Mildred Mc Mahan seconded the motion that the  
 bill of \$1,376.63 be approved. The motion carried.  
 The February circulation report and financial report were  
 given by the vice president, Ed Loy.

The County Board met in separate session and  
 elected the following officers:

Pres. Robert Wuerchner

V. Pres. Elizabeth Zimmer

Sec. Gordon Culp



The Librarian, Mrs. Fisher, reported that the building study, the feasibility study, would have to be paid for by the local library district; therefore the subject was dropped.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Hershman, Secy

April 18, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Monday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. Mildred Mc Mahan, ~~Mildred~~ Esther Allman, William Holt, Lillian Blumenthal, Carleton Henley, and Virginia Hershman were present. It was moved and seconded by Esther Allman and Lillian Blumenthal that bills of \$1283.35 be allowed. The circulation and financial reports were approved upon motion of Mildred Mc Mahan and Lillian Blumenthal.

Mrs. Holt, president; Mrs. Loy, vice president; and Mrs. Hershman, secretary; were re-elected for a one-year term upon separate motions by Mrs. Henley, Mrs. Blumenthal and Mrs. Allman and Mrs. Mc Mahan.

Mrs. Henley and Mrs. Blumenthal moved and seconded that the travel mileage rate be raised to 10¢ per mile.

The flog and pole were discussed. Mrs. Holt is investigating poles.

~~The meeting~~ The meeting was adjourned for the county contractual board meeting which followed.

~~Sincerely~~  
Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Hershman, Secy



May 9, 1966

The Bensenville Public Library Board met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., Monday, May 9, 1966. Those present were William Helt, Esther Allman, Mildred Mc Mahan, Ed Lay, Carleton Henley, and Virginia Herschman.

The minutes were read and approved. May claims of 672.23 were approved upon motion of Mildred Mc Mahan seconded by Esther Allman.

The circulation and financial reports were discussed.

The Library policies were discussed. Mrs. Mc Mahan moved that the Board approve the Book Selection Policy as presented. Mr. Henley seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously. The remaining library policies will be discussed at the June meeting.

The summer Bookmobile schedule was presented and discussed.

Mrs. Ruth Larsson from the State Library will come here to help the Librarian decide how and which unused books ~~should~~ should be disposed of. If possible books will be sold & the remainder given away.

The periodicals will be moved from the basement to the balcony room and the newspapers to the periodical room.

Some remodeling is necessary in the Bookmobile room such as shelves and lighting. A new desk and typewriter is needed there also.

The District I meeting will be held at Lalleck Center at St. Joseph's College Thursday, May 12, beginning at 9 a.m. The staff and board members will assist.

The meeting was adjourned and the County Contractual Library Board met.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Herschman, Sec'y



A special called meeting was held May 23, 1966 at 4 p.m. Mr. W. H. Salt, C. Henley, L. Blumenthal, Mrs. M. C. McMahon, & V. Henderson were present. Minutes were read and approved. Bills of 253  
\$20.32 were signed. Alvin Bullis, driver of Brookshire, resigned.  
Because of illness Mrs. Hammond was granted a summer leave of absence. Mrs. Fisher  
and interview applicants & her a summer replacement. Fifteen days sick leave at  
\$103.20 was allowed for Mrs. Hammond &  
a set of books was sold for \$35.00 & a check received.  
Summer leave include two & five evening. Respectfully submitted,  
J. L. Henley, Secy June 13, 1966

The Bensselaer Public Library Board met  
at 4:00 p.m. Monday, June 13, 1966 and  
approved bill of \$855.51. William Salt, Esther  
Allman, Mildred M. McMahon, and Ed Loy  
signed the claims.

beginning in August.  
Automatic book charging machines will be rented.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Esther Allman, Acting Secy.

July 11, 1966  
The Bensselaer Public Library Board met  
Monday, July 11, 1966, at 7:30 p.m. Those present  
were Ed Loy, Corlton Henley, Lillian Blumenthal,  
Mildred M. McMahon, and Virginia Henderson.  
Ed Loy, vice president, conducted the  
meeting. The minutes were read and approved, and  
the bills of \$304.87 were ordered paid upon  
motion and second of Lillian Blumenthal and  
Mildred M. McMahon. The circulation and  
financial reports were presented.

Mr. E. H. Brenner, architect from Lafayette,  
presented slides of his firm's work in the area  
and especially the addition to the Fowler library,  
which is similar to the Bensselaer library.  
Approximately \$2500 should be budgeted for  
feasibility study & schematic drawings as a first  
step to enlargement or remodeling of our present  
structure.

Staff positions were discussed. At  
Mrs. Fisher's suggestion Mr. Henley moved and  
Mrs. M. C. McMahon seconded that the library hire  
a full time children's librarian and a part  
time clerk, before Sept. 1, and the processing to Cranfordville.  
The motion carried.



The librarian will receive two weeks' vacation this year.

Carlton Henley moved and Lillian Blumenthal seconded that the \$3000 in the library improvement reserve fund be invested in certificates of deposit bearing  $4\frac{1}{2}$  % interest at the State Bank of Bensenville. The motion carried. The check is to be made out to the Treasurer of the Bensenville Public Library and the certificates are to be kept in the City of Bensenville Lock Box in the State Bank. The Bensenville Public Library Serial Number, 72000 is 69 0320178.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Huston, Secy

July 25, 1966

The Bensenville Public Library Board met at 3:00 p.m. Monday, July 25. The minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$444.59 were approved upon motion and second of Esther Allmon and Lillian Blumenthal. The motion carried. Applications were read for the positions of children's librarian and clerk. The budget was discussed.

William Hart, Lillian Blumenthal, Esther Allmon, Mildred McManis, & Virginia Huston were present.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Huston, Secy



August 2, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Tuesday, August 2 at 7:00 p.m. Those present were Mildred Mc Mahan, ~~Lillian~~ Carlton Herley, Sky Robinson, William Nalt and Virginia Herberman. The minutes were read and approved. Ed Loy had sent his resignation, and Judge Leopold appointed Schuyler L. Robinson to fill out his unexpired term.

The budget was discussed and Mrs. Robinson moved and Mrs. Herley seconded that the city budget be accepted at rate of 17¢.

Mrs. James Flickner has been hired as a clerk.

Mrs. Kathryn Hammorsen granted 1 week's vacation pay.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Herberman, Secy.

August 4, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in special session Thursday, Aug. 4 at 7:00 p.m. Bills of \$13.81 were approved by Lillian Blumenfeld, Schuyler Robinson, William Nalt, and Virginia Herberman. The total budget was accepted as amended upon motion of Lillian Blumenfeld and second of Sky Robinson. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Herberman, Secy.

Mrs. Kathryn Hammond sent a letter of resignation to the Board. Mrs. L. Wayne Smith was employed as a full time children's librarian.



August 25, 1966

At a special board called for Thursday, August 25 at 4:00 p.m. Lillian Blumenthal, Mildred McManahan, Esther Allmon, William Holt & Virginia Huskman were present. Mrs. Fisher's request for time off for course work at Purdue U. was granted as follows: 4 hrs. per week for each of the 16 school weeks during the fall semester.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Huskman

September 12, 1966

The Bensenville Public Library Board and Jasper County Library Board met in joint session at 4:00 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, 1966. Sky Robinson, Mildred McManahan, Esther Allmon, and Virginia Huskman were present for the city board.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$796.71 were allowed upon motion of Esther Allmon and Mildred McManahan. The motion carried. Circulation and financial reports were presented by Mrs. Fisher.

Sky Robinson moved and Sandra Culp seconded that the Jasper County Board and the Bensenville Public Library Board encourage the organization of a Friends of the Library group for all patrons of the library. The motion carried.

Sky Robinson moved and Bob Wuerthwein seconded that the library offer free reciprocal library service <sup>subject to review in 1967</sup> to St. Joseph's College, Porter County, and Remington. The motion carried. Mrs. Fisher will contact these groups.  
(Sandra Culp noted may)



Sander Culp moved and Esther Allmon seconded that for the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd grades 10¢ should be the maximum fine; for the 4th, 5th, & 6th grades 25¢ should be the maximum fine; 7th & 8th grades and older the regular 5¢ per day rate should apply.

The motion carried.

An architect <sup>from Indianapolis</sup>, Mr. Walter, presented his credentials and ideas for remodeling or expanding the library.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Huskman, Sec'y

October 10, 1966

The Bensalem Public Library Board met at 4:00 p.m. at the library on the October 10, 1966. Those present were Sky Robinson, Lillian Blumenfeld, William Skot, Virginia Huskman, Carlton Henley and Robert Wuerthner.

The minutes were read and approved. Bills of \$592.50 were allowed upon motion and second of Mr. Henley & Mrs. Blumenfeld.

A letter from the Remington Library Board was read ~~from~~ turning down the offer for reciprocal service. St. Joseph's College accepted the offer and suggested ways for mutual cooperation.

The children's librarian salary was discussed.

Mrs. Blumenfeld moved and Mr. Henley seconded that the salary be set at \$300 per month retroactive to Sept 1 to Jan. 1. The motion carried.

The loan period was discussed and the present policy is to continue - two weeks.

The building program was discussed. The







series should meet.

Factory library series, hospital & shut-in series were also discussed.

addition  
action

A Friends of the Library meeting will be held  
Thurs. Nov. 17.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugenia Huskman, Secy.

December 12, 1966

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Monday, December 12, 1966, at 7:00 p.m. Lillian Blumenthal, Method McCallum, Esther Allman, Sky Robinson, Carleton Henly, William Holt, Robert Wuerthner, & Eugenia Huskman were present.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected. Mrs. Henly moved and Mrs. Blumenthal seconded that bills of \$1,315.09 be approved. The motion carried.

The salaries of the library personnel were discussed. Mrs. Henly moved and Mrs. Robinson seconded that the board accept as presented by the Librarian the proposed salaries. The motion carried.

The community study and merger study were discussed briefly. "No expansion is needed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eugenia Huskman, Secy.

The meeting of Dec. 12, 1966, was reconvened and a resolution was proposed by Mrs. Robinson seconded by Mrs. Blumenthal and approved by the others present, Mrs. Henly & Mrs. Holt. The resolution was in regard to transfer of funds.



January 9, 1967

The Russell Public Library Board met in regular session Monday, January 9, 1967, at 4:00 p.m. Those present were Esther Allmon, Carlton Herley, Mildred Mc Mahon, and William Hart, ~~and~~. Sander Culp, Alberta Ronda, and Elizabeth Zimmer were present in addition from the County Contractual Board.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected. The bills were approved upon motion of Carlton Herley and seconded by Esther Allmon.

The ~~for~~ library policies as proposed by the librarian, Mrs. Fisk were approved. Carlton Herley made the motion which was seconded by Mildred Mc Mahon.

The city board meeting was temporarily changed to second Tuesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Virginia Luchman



February 14, 1967

The Bensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Tuesday Feb 14, 1967, at 4:00 p.m. <sup>library</sup> at the <sup>Carlton Henley</sup> library. Those present were Mildred McMatton, William Holt, Sky Robinson, Virginia Neeshman plus Sander Culp and Robert Wuerthner.

The minutes were read and approved. The bills of \$1,295.31 were allowed upon motion of Mildred McMatton and seconded by Sky Robinson.

The Jasper County Contractors Board meeting was tentatively set for Thurs. Feb. 23, 1967 at 7:30 p.m.

Sky Robinson made a report on the progress of microfilming of the Bensselaer Republican. Approximately 50% of the book is completed and the remaining share for the Library is anticipated to be \$500. Mildred McMatton moved and Virginia Neeshman seconded the motion that the \$300 bill due now be paid & budget \$500 to finish the project in 1968. The motion carried.

The city health insurance plan that might include library employees was discussed. Sky Robinson was delegated to attend the City Council meeting to hear a discussion of this proposal.

Financial statements for the Bookmobile & the Public Library for the year 1966 were discussed.

A resolution to invest \$1000 from the improvement reserve fund in ~~the~~ certificate of ~~the~~ deposit. ~~the~~ was passed following a motion by Carlton Henley and seconded by Sky Robinson.

The 1966 library circulation figures were reported at 91,181 as compared to 74,696 for 1965. The new registration is 25% completed.

Sky Robinson moved and Mildred McMatton seconded that a letter of appreciation be sent to



Esther Allmon for her many years of service to the Board. Mrs. Allmon had asked the Judge Leopold not to reappoint her to another term.

Carlton Henley nominated Sky Robinson for Pres. of the Board; Eugene Hushman nominated Carlton Henley for vice president; ~~Carlton Henley~~ <sup>for secretary:</sup> ~~nominated~~ Mildred McManahan. Eugene Hushman moved the nominations be closed and the election unanimous. William Holt seconded the motion and it carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Eugene Hushman, Secy.

March 14, 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in regular session Tuesday March 14, 1967 at 4 P.M. at the Library

Those Present were: Schulger Robinson, Virginia Hershman, William Holt, Mrs. Fisher, Mary Lou Baumann and Mildred McManahan. Present from County Board - Robert Kuerthner and Kathern Gimmer.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected. The Bills of \$869.93 - March 14, 1967 were allowed upon motion by Virginia Hershman seconded Mary Lou Baumann.

Schulger Robinson asked the members about considering extending Library Service to Jasper County Hospital - It was suggested that Mrs. Fischer contact the Hospital Board and make the Proposal of extending the Library Service to Jasper County Hospital - and the Library



buy the necessary equipment to provide the service.

Sky Robinson reported from the City Council on City Health insurance for Library employees - Reported Mr. Murray said - City Health insurance could be very easily extended to cover the Library employees and give them <sup>full</sup> coverage - Life Insurance Hospital, Disability and Major Medical at a cost of \$20.00 Per Person per Year

The President Schulyer Robinson appointed the following Committee to study the Service and Planning needs of the Public Library.

County Board President - Robert Waverthner

City Board President - Schulyer Robinson

Librarian - Mrs. Fischer

2 from City Board -

Mrs. Mary Lou Baumann

County Board -

Carlton Henley

There will be a joint meeting with Newton County March 22-1967 to discuss the Bookmobile needs -

The President suggested thinking for the future, setting up a Library Gift fund.

The meeting adjourned.

Schulyer Robinson Pres.  
Mildred McNeahan Secy



April 11 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met in Regular session Tuesday April 11, 1967, at ~~those~~ 3:30 P. M. Those Present were Schulyer Robinson, Virginia Herskman, Mary Lou Baumann, Carleton Henley and Mildred McMahon.

Mrs. Fisher announced the Newton County Library Board requested reduction of their contractual obligation by the amount of \$500.00 - representing the eliminating of the Thayer Bookmobile Stop.

Mrs. Fisher gave the Financial report and requested advance draw to cover expenses. The board allowed the request.

The President Schulyer Robinson and Librarian Mrs. Fisher going to Indianapolis to meet with Miss Foot, the Consultant of Indiana State Library Board, explain the preparation of next year Budget.

(An Order to Invest in your Library Future)

In order to Provide for the acceptance of money and securities as a gift, donation, endowment, bequest or trust, the board of trustees of the Rensselaer Public Library does now establish the following fund: "Invest in Your Library Future."

A fund for Memorial, Endowment, and Special Gifts.



Receipts to this fund shall be expended, without appropriation therefore, in accordance with and limited to the terms, conditions and purposes specified by the donor, in accordance with Burns Indiana Statutes, 41-919.

A motion to approve the establishment of this fund was made by Carleton Henley, seconded by Virginia Hershman and unanimously approved.

The Northway Products has asked to hold a meeting one night a week for 10 weeks in the Library basement. - Paying \$100.00 for the use. The Library Board considered applying the \$100.00 to the Gift fund.

Our Librarian, Mrs. Fisher reported on a Workshop she attended on Book Selection Policy. Extensive knowledge of the groups to be served in the Community and of the relationships of the local Library to other Libraries.

The Planning Committee was asked to pursue a Community study and formulate library objectives.

The Librarian, Mrs. Fisher announced the Indiana Library District meeting will be May 10, 1962 at Lake County Public Library at Griffith.



The bills of \$853.38 April 11 - 1967  
 Allowed upon - Motion by Carleton  
 Henley and seconded by Marilyn Baumann.

The City Board meeting was  
 followed by a session of Gasper  
 County Contractual Library Board  
 during which the merger of the  
 City and County boards was discussed.

Mrs. Ruth Davison a field  
 Consultant for the Indiana State  
 Library, was present to answer  
 questions. Present from County board - Sandra Culp  
 Elizabeth Zimmer and Robert Wuerthner.

The meeting adjourned

Schulyer Robinson Pres  
 Mildred McMahon Secy.

May - 9 - 1967

The Penseleer Public Library Board  
 met in regular session Tuesday May  
 9 - 1967 at 7 o'clock P.M. at Library.

Those Present were - Schulyer Robinson,  
 Carleton Henley, Lillian Blumenthal, Mary  
 Lou Baumann & Mildred McMahon.

Those from County Board - Sandra Culp,  
 Robert Wuerthner - Mrs. Alberta Roorda

The Librarian, Mrs. Fisher recommended  
 to the board the need of a full time  
 Librarian, she said, in order to fulfill  
 the vital role of the Library and best  
 serve the community we need a full  
 time Librarian.



Mrs. Fisher wrote the board, she would be available for Part time employment only if we employ a full time Librarian by Jan. 1st.

Motion by Carleton Henley, that we authorize Mrs. Fisher to look for a full time Librarian at a starting salary of \$ 7500.00 - it was seconded by Lillian Blumenthal  
Motion Carried

Members of City board were joined by the members of the Jasper County Contractual Library board for a discussion of Proposed merger. The merger may be further considered after the coming year's budget is prepared in Preliminary form.

The Summer schedual for the Bookmobile was talked over and a Summer schedual for Library evening hours.

Motion was made by Lillian Blumenthal that Bookmobile 1967 Summer schedual be approved as presented and it was seconded by Carleton Henley -  
Motion Carried

Mrs. Fisher recommended the Bookmobile driver - John Becker, could work Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening, keeping the Library open.

Further thinking of expanding the Library was discussed.

The Bills of 1,540.94 - May 9 - 1967 were allowed upon Motion by Lillian Blumenthal - Seconded by Mary Lou Baumann.  
The meeting was adjourned - Scholger Robinson Pres.  
Melba McWaters - Sec.



May 29 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library met at a special call meeting Monday, May 29, at 3:30 P.M.

Those present were - President Schulger Robinson, Carleton Henley, Ann Holt Virginia Herskman, Mary Lou Baumann and Mildred Mc Mahan.

The Librarian Mrs. Fisher and the President Schulger Robinson passed to the board the Proposed Budget - The budget was read and discussed - no motion made - be studied again at later date.

The meeting adjourned  
Schulger Robinson Pres.  
Mildred Mc Mahan Sec.

June 7 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library met in regular session Wednesday June 7, at 7:30 P.M. at Schulger Robinson Home.

Those Present were - The present Schulger Robinson, Mary Lou Baumann Ann Holt, Lillian Blumenthal, and County board Sandra Culp.

The members of Rensselaer and Jasper County library boards heard reports from library employees in Peruville and Rensselaer and with the bookmobiles.

Gerald Kenning - who is employed



at the year-old library branch in Denotte, reported a trend toward increased circulation, now running about 500 a month.

Mrs. Aletha Davission and John Decker, bookmobile employees, discussed the summer schedule in Jasper and Newton Counties.

Mrs. Fisher, the librarian, called upon board members to realize the potential value of inservice training for library employees.

She showed slides ~~by~~ furnished by the plainfield library - much like the library in Bensseler - showing crowded conditions and insufficient library resources.

Contrasting slides showed the modern buildings erected by other communities to serve the library-using public.

The bills of \$763.89 - June 7 1967 were allowed upon motion by Lillian Blumenthal and seconded by ~~Mr~~ Holt.

The meeting was adjourned

Schulger Robinson Pres.  
Mildred Mc Mahan Sec.



June 20 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library met at a special call meeting Tuesday June 20 at 7:30 P.m.

Those present were. Wm Holt, Carleton Henley, Virginia Hershman, Mary Lou Baumann and Mildred McMahon.

The board met for a special meeting to study the proposed Budget and talk over the merging of the City and County board.

Our Librarian, Mrs. Fisher told how our Library Service had increased in Demotte, and also how many stops we were making in the County.

The Board hearing Mrs. Fisher report on Demotte, decided not to go into an expanded program in Demotte, unless the County and City merge.

The meeting Adjourned  
Schulger Robinson Pres.  
Mildred McMahon Sec.

July 11 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and Jasper County Contractual Library Board met in regular session Tuesday night at 7:30 P.m. Those present were Schulger Robinson, Mary Lou Baumann, Carleton Henley, Virginia Hershman and Mildred McMahon.

Those from County Board were Sandra Culp, Robert Wuerthner, Alberta Randa and ~~Bettie~~ Zenimer.



Mrs. Fisher report for the first six month of 1967 show that Circulation in the main library, on the Jasper-Newton Bookmobile, and in the De Motte branch is running at a record high.

Total Circulation for the half year was 52,704 an increase of .20 per cent from the comparable period of 1966.

Members of the City and County Contractual Library Board approved their respective 1968 expenditure budgets for advertisement.

Library service for the library, bookmobile and branch have been budgeted at \$55,545, an increase of about \$700 over the current year.

This budget called for a tax rate of 11 cents in Jasper County and 19 cents in the City of Rensselaer, an increase of four cents in each case.

It was moved by Carleton Henley to except the budget of \$55,545, and was seconded by Virginia Herschman. Motion Carried.

The County Contractual board, Betty Zimmer, moved the proposed County budget be excepted at a tax rate of 11¢. It was seconded by Robert W. Werthner. - Motion Carried.

Sandra Culp reported the County Contractual Library Board did not wish to merge at this time.

The Board received a letter



of resignation of Mrs. Ray Hershman. Mrs. Hershman had served as the Woman appointee of the Rensselaer Central School Board, and her term expires early next year.

The board agreed to dedicate a set of volumes ~~to~~ to honor Mrs. Mary Etta Hemphill, late Librarian.

The Bills were allowed of \$1,342.31. - Moved by Carleton Henley and Seconded by Virginia Hershman.

The meeting adjourned  
Schulyer Robinson Pres.  
Mildred McMahon Sec.

August 1 - 1967  
Called Meeting with Newton Co. Board.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Tuesday night at 7:30, with a joint meeting with the Newton County Contractual Library Board.

Those Present of Rensselaer Board were Schulyer Robinson, Carleton Henley, Luci Pavy and Mildred McMahon.

The President Schulyer Robinson read the Proposed Budget for discussion. The Librarian Mrs. Fisher, explained the proposed schedule of the Newton County Bookmobile Service - it will average about 1 1/2 days a week in Newton County.

Motion made by Mr. Wm. Holt that the Bookmobile Service



in Newton County pay as agreed \$6,200, towards the operating expenses as proposed in the 1968 Budget, be accepted. It was seconded by Dean Dawson of Lake Village.

Newton County will receive just over 30% of the bookmobile time.

Previously, Newton County had paid one third of the total bookmobile cost. — The difference will be used to establish a book station at Thayer.

Mrs. Robert Pavy replaced Mrs. Ray Hershman as the appointee from Rensselaer Central School Corporation.

Motion by Mrs. Holt that the July bills be allowed \$1,708.99. It was seconded by Carleton Henley — Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned  
Pres. Schulger Robinson  
Sec. Mildred McMahon

September 5, 1967

meeting with County Council

on September 5<sup>th</sup> at 3 o'clock

The Rensselaer Public Library Board — President Schulger Robinson, Lillian Blumenthal, Mary Lou Baumann, Mildred McMahon and the Librarian Mrs. Fisher. met before the County Council, with the Proposed County Budget.



September 5 - 1967

Public Hearing.  
on September 5<sup>th</sup> at 4 o'clock.  
The Rensselaer Public Library  
Board - President Schulyer  
Robinson, Mary Lou Baumann  
Luci Pavy, Lillian Blumenthal,  
Mildred Mc Mahan, and the  
Librarian Mrs. Fischer, and  
The County Contractual Library  
Board members Robert Wuerthner  
met for a Public Hearing.

Mr. Wm Holt made motion  
to pass Resolution for the Propriation  
of the Library Budget and a  
Resolution of tax Levi for the  
appropriation.

It was Seconded by Luci Pavy.  
A motion by Mary Lou Baumann  
and Seconded by Lillian Blumenthal  
that the 1968 Propriation be  
approved - Bills of 2,000. 83 Mary Lou Baumann  
motion seconded by L. Blumenthal. The meeting Adjourned.  
Pres. Schulyer Robinson  
Sec. Mildred Mc Mahan.

September 28 - 1967

The Rensselaer Public Library Board  
and Jasper County Contractual Library  
Board, met in Regular Session  
Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Those Present were Schulyer  
Robinson, Luci Pavy, Mary Lou  
Baumann, Wm Holt, Lillian Blumenthal,  
Mildred Mc Mahan, and Librarian Mrs. Fischer.  
From County Board - Robert Wuerthner



Alberta Roorda, Sandra Culp, and  
Kathern Zimmer.

The Librarian reported on "How to  
Reach more Readers".

There was motion by Robert  
Wuerthner to approve the Letter  
sent to State Board of Commissioners  
and Seconded by Mary Lou Baumann  
quotation from the Letter -

The County board of tax adjustment  
took no action except recommending  
that the 11 cent rate be forwarded  
to your examiners for consideration.

A 19 cent levy is sought for  
support of the library within  
the City of Rensselaer and the city  
budget included the appropriations  
for County services in 1968.

The Bookmobile Driver asked for  
raise 150.00 a month or Regine Sept 18-1967

The new Driver is Esther (Ethel)  
Yoder for Bookmobile

Mr. Wm Holt <sup>motion</sup> allowed the Bills  
of 1,169.16 and seconded by  
Lillian Blumenthal.

Gerald L. Kenning of Demotte  
Branch Librarian submitted  
his resignation - effective  
October 1, 1967.

The meeting adjourned  
Pres. Schulger Robinson  
Sec. Mildred Mc Mahan,



Nov - 6 - 1967

At regular meeting Tuesday evening 7 o'clock the Russell Public Library board and County Contractual Library board met. Those Present -

Schulze, Robinson, Lillian Blumenthal, Mary Lou Baumann, Wm Holt, and Mildred Mc Mahan and the Librarian Mrs. Fisher. — From County board Robert Wuerthner, Sandra Culp, Alberta Rhoads

A motion by Wm Holt to allow the Bells of \$2,131.03, exception Glass bell of \$27.51 - Seconded by Lillian Blumenthal -

Gerald L. Kenning has re-considered his Librarian duties at De Motte.

The Librarian Mrs Fisher reported her one day at the Indiana Library 76 Annual Conference at Stouffer's Inn, Indianapolis

Motion by Mary Lou Baumann transfer within Classification (Letter in file) H. T. From Repairs to Communication, Heat Light Water, + book Processing - \$620.00 Second by Wm Holt. - Motion Carried

Personal Services over \$300.00 to be transferred to Office Supplies, by approval of State Tax commission board. Seconded by Mildred Mc Mahan Motion Carried

Respectfully Submitted  
Mildred Mc Mahan



Nov. 21. 1967

Library Emergency appropriation Resolution was presented to the board. Schulger Robinson, Lucie Pavy, Mary Lou Baumann, & Mildred Mc Mahan and read in full this 21st day of November, 1967.

Transfer of \$3.00. from Services Personal to office Supplies.

Respectfully Submitted  
Mildred Mc Mahan Secy.  
Dec 4, 1967-

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met at regular session Monday, December 4-1967- at 7:00 PM.

Present - Schulger Robinson - Carleton Henley - Sam Holt - Mary Lou Baumann Lucie Pavy.

Moved by Carleton Henley to transfer 13.50 from books to Equipment & 4.00 from printing to Communication. Seconded by Mrs Baumann.

It was decided to go to East Chicago to visit the library on Jan 18 & (evening).

Problems of Personnel retirement discussed.

Salary raises were discussed -

|                             |            |          |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------|
| Children Librarian -        | 3800 -     | \$ 4,000 |
| Librarian requests          | 3800 -     | \$ 5,000 |
| Mrs. Scanlon                | \$ 4,000 - | 4,500    |
| Clerk typist (Mrs Flickner) | 1300 -     | 1,400    |
| Fern Fendrick               | 1900 -     | 2080     |
| Book shelveers. allowed     | \$ 400.00  |          |
| Demotte Clerk.              | 1500 -     | 1700     |
| Bookmobile Clerk.           |            | 4280     |
| Bookmobile driver -         | 4100       | 4100     |



It was moved by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mr. Hendry. that the driver salary not be raised until she has worked 1 year. - but the increases as recommended by the librarian ~~was~~ should be accepted as presented.

Bills of \$36.24 allowed & moved Passed.

Respectfully submitted  
Mildred McFarlane - Secy.

December 29 - 1967

Called meeting on December 29th. at 7 o'clock - Those Present - Schulyer Robinson - Sandra Culp. Robert Wuerthner Alberta Rhoads - Mary Lou Baumann, Lillian Blumenthal

Moved ~~and~~ by Mary Lou Baumann and seconded by Lillian Blumenthal. the Bill - claim \$187.25 Passed.

Moved by Lillian Blumenthal to transfer of \$35.00 from repairs to Communications \$10.00 from heat, light, water to Printing.

Seconded by Mary Lou Baumann -

Moved by Mary Lou Baumann - encumbered \$100.00 from 1967 budget to 1968 Bookmobile repairs, Seconded by S. Robinson.

The City board consented to let Mrs. Smith go on 4 week vacation in May.

Mrs. Scanlon's salary raise discussed - extra money come from transfer of 150.00 atty fees. \$50.00 emergency help fees. - moved by



Schulyer Robinson - Seconded by Mary  
Lou Baumann - Passed.

Branch library moved to new location  
for 1 year - motion by Robert Kuerthner  
and Second by Alberta Phoarda.  
with Pledges of \$3.00 Business Pro. Women  
of Pensacola -

\$3.00 American Legion

\$2.00 benefit basketball  
game

\$1.00 month American Legion  
Auxiliary -

### Branch Library Lease -

This Indenture Witnesseth, - that  
George Konovsky and Joyce Konovsky his  
wife, of the County of Jasper - in the State  
of Indiana, lessor, have this day  
demised and leased to the Con-  
tractual Jasper Co. Library board,  
of Jasper Co, Ind. lessees, and  
to its successors and assigns  
the following Premises in said  
Co. & State - to-wit -

North 19' 14" of Lot 2 in Block 3 and  
Part of out Lot 19 (N 20' 1/4' S 51") in  
Block 3, all in Demotte, Ind.

Respectfully submitted  
Mildred Irene Snodden



Jan 8 - 1968

The Rensselaer ~~Pub~~ Public Library  
 And Contracted Library Board met at  
 regular session, Monday<sup>evening</sup> at  
 7 P. M. — Those present Schulger  
 Robinson, Luci Pavy, Wm Holt, Mary  
 Lou Baumann, Mildred Mc Mahan  
 from Co. Robert Wuerthner & Sandra Culp.

The Board decided on a visit  
 to East Chicago Library on Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>.

It was voted down on opening  
 the Library at 8:00 A. M.

Decided by Board to try  
 Sunday Hours in month of May  
 and June from 11:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M.

The De Mott's Lease to be  
 revised and re-written, and  
 be approved, and signed by Robert  
 Wuerthner & Sandra Culp. The  
 motion by Schulger Robinson and  
 Seconded by Wm Holt

The Board passed for a High  
 School girl to work Part time for  
 a shelver

Mary Lou Baumann moved the  
 bills of 774, 79 to be allowed, and  
 Seconded by Mildred Mc Mahan  
 Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned  
 Pres. Schulger Robinson  
 Sec. Mildred Mc Mahan



February 5 - 1968

The Rensselaers Public Library and Contractual Library Board met at regular session Monday evening at 7:00 P.M. - Those Present Schulyer Robinson, Mary Lou Baumann, ~~Wm. Halt~~ Mildred one mother, Luci Pavy and Sandra Culp.

The Librarian Mrs. Fisher read the annual Librarian report which she signed and sent to State Library.

Mary Lou Baumann told us of the Board visit to East Chicago Library. She gave very interesting tour and showed pictures.

The De Motte Branch Library have moved to there new location which gives them much more space. - The De Motte Lease was approved and signed.

The Board had a tour of the Library. There is needs for more Catalogue drawers, book shelves, and Chairs in Children room -

~~Wm. Halt~~ moved, the Librarian Mrs. Fisher, get Prices on items above and Present it to the next board meeting.

Seconded by Luci Pavy.

The Tri Bappa Society gave the Rensselaers Public Library a Water Cooler.

Patricia Tonner - asked for full time Summer Job. She assist Mrs. Smith - help in



Mrs. Scanlin Place during  
Vacation, also help in office  
with Bookkeeping and typing  
Wages \$1.35 an hour.

The Board approved.

The Librarian Mrs. Fisher  
Presented a detail sketch of a  
Brochure to be distributed  
by friends of Library. The  
Board approved.

Mr. Holt will check on  
the Rensselaer Public Library

Insurance Policies -

I was asked to write a letter  
to Rensselaer <sup>Central School</sup> ~~Public~~ Library  
Board on the expired term of  
Virginia Hershman, which Luci  
Bavy has filled. - expired date  
Feb. 29, 1968.

Luci Bavy moved the Bills  
of \$2958.73 be allowed and Sec.  
by Mildred Mc Maker.

Rensselaer Public Library and  
County Contractual board  
Hearing

Read by President Schulyer Robinson  
re-appropriation of County Budget  
This is Resolution after Publication  
Signed by Board.

Meeting adjourned.  
Pres. Schulyer Robinson  
Sec. Mildred Mc Maker



March 4 - 1968

The Rensselaer Public Library and the next legislative session met at Regalter March 4 - 1968. The Senate is with the Republicans. The House and the Democrats.

Carleton  
Wm

### Re-elect Most Library Officers

Con  
a  
L  
er  
into

Election of officers by the boards of the Rensselaer Public and Jasper County Contractual library boards was held Monday evening.

(Cite)  
ach  
ersity  
y en  
ecious  
aster's  
e from  
nd cur  
Associ  
phy at

City board members re-elected to offices were Schuyler L. Robinson, president; Carleton Henley, vice-president; and Mildred McMahan, secretary. Denver M. Tudor, clerk-treasurer of the city, was designated library treasurer.

Cassella

On the county board, Robert Wuerthner was re-elected president; Mary Lou Baumann is the new vice-president; and Sandra Culp is secretary-treasurer.

new  
Philos  
Ameri  
ciation,  
of Am  
Associ  
ssors.  
as  
se-  
nce

Three Indiana history volumes will be given bookplates designating them as a memorial to Miss Ida Milliken, who had served for 24 years as librarian.

Several board members and the librarian have registered for a library trustees' workshop at Noblesville March 26.

lls

### Council Hears Wabash Valley Head

will be

Donald Kinzer, administrator of Wabash Valley hospital, appeared before the Jasper Council this morning to discuss plans for a new hospital to serve a number of Lafayette residents now in the hospital.

The Librarian

announced as part time

Gern Fenwick

requested to go on 10 hr. week

beginning first of September.

Miss Fisher reported on some prices she had received on library furniture.

A motion to borrow

Senators are elected for two year terms. This year about half the senators are holdovers. This year, the Democrats to elect 18 of the number and the Republicans only 10 in order to control the upper house in 1967.

Schuyler Robinson  
Baumann  
McMahan  
Wuerthner  
Zimmerman

Two years ago, the holdovers were on the side of the Democrats, which was the main reason the legislature was politically divided as it was year as a result of the sweep in the 1966 off-year election that gave the Republicans comfortable control of the House.

McMahan  
Wuerthner  
Zimmerman

### Rash Of Wuerthner Fires Breaks

INDIANAPOLIS - Brush, field, grass and fires broke out on dozens around Indianapolis in dry and windy weather gave firefighters their busiest day of 1968. Lester Tschanner, coordinator for the division of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, said at least two dozen fires of size from several acres occurred Monday in the state.

Baumann  
Culp  
on motion  
Seconded  
Kathleen Zimmerman

In addition, some men over a broad area called after the other.

History Volumes  
designating  
to Miss Ida  
served for 24 years

The situation is serious," Tschanner said. "The result of a severe shortage in the state would continue to be about one of the most serious of present, sir."

Fisher

would continue

the bookkeeper

requested to go on 10 hr. week

beginning first of September.

Miss Fisher reported on some prices she had received on library furniture.

A motion to borrow



March 4 - 1968

The Rensselaer Public Library and Contractual met at Regular session Monday March 4 - 1968.

Those Present Schulyer Robinson, Carleton Henley, Mary Lou Baumann, Wm Holt and Mildred Mae Mahan.

Contractual Board Robert Wuerthner, Sandra Culp, & Kathryn Zimmer - Election officers -

(City Board) The incumbent officers

President Schulyer Robinson

Vice President Carleton Henley

Secretary - Mildred Mae Mahan

Clerk Treasurer - Denver M. Indor of City

County Board

President - Robert Wuerthner

New Vice President - Mary Lou Baumann

Secretary-treasurer Sandra Culp

Were nominated on motion by Wm Holt and seconded

by ~~Carleton Henley~~ Mary Lou Baumann Kathryn Zimmer

Three Indiana History Volumes will be given bookplates designating them as a memorial to Miss Ida Milliken, who had served for 24 years as librarian.

The Librarian Mrs Fisher announced she would continue as part time Librarian.

Fern Fenwick, the book keeper requested to go on 10 hr. week beginning first of September.

Mrs Fisher reported on some prices she had received on Library furniture.

A motion to borrow



\$5,000.00 for 120 days from State Bank to be paid into the Library operating fund. Moved by Vern Holt and Seconded by Carleton Henley.

Carleton Henley moved the bills be allowed \$2,496.35 and Seconded by Mary Lou Baumann.

Trustees workshop at Noblesville Public Library March 26 - 1968.

Meeting adjourned  
Pres. Schuyler Robinson  
Sec. Mildred McMahon

March 14-1968

Called Meeting -

The motion at March 4 Library Board meeting for a draw of \$5,000.00 was not sufficient to meet the March and April draw. And a new motion was made to borrow \$7,450.00.

The President read the new Resolution

On Motion duly made by Carleton Henley and Seconded by Vern Holt. - The following Resolution was Passed unanimously  
— The Insert —



## RESOLUTION 1-68

WHEREAS, there are no funds available or on hand to meet the ordinary and usual expenses of the Board of Trustees of Rensselaer Public Library of Rensselaer, Jasper County, Indiana; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Rensselaer Public Library, have determined that it is necessary to make a temporary loan from State Bank of Rensselaer, Rensselaer, Indiana, of the sum of \$7,450.00 for the period of one hundred twenty (120) days with interest at the rate of five per cent (5%) per annum in anticipation of the collection of taxes for the current year; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined by said Board that the sum of \$7,450.00 is less than fifty percent (50%) of the uncollected and anticipated taxes for the current year;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

RESOLVED: That the Board of Trustees of the Rensselaer Public Library of Jasper County, Indiana, borrow the sum of \$7,450.00 from State Bank of Rensselaer, Rensselaer, Indiana, due in one hundred twenty (120) days with interest at the rate of five per cent (5%) per annum.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the amount borrowed be paid into the library operating fund and expended therefrom according to the appropriations therein and the laws governing the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That Schuyler L. Robinson and Mildred McMahan, President and Secretary respectively of the Board of Trustees of Rensselaer Public Library be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver the promissory note of Rensselaer Public Library to State Bank of Rensselaer, Rensselaer, Indiana, to make the foregoing loan.



April 1, 1968

The Rensselaer public Library and  
Contractual met at Regular session  
Monday evening

Those present - Schuyler Robinson  
Carleton Henley, Mary Lou Baumann  
and Mildred Mc Mahan, the Contracted  
Board. Sandra Culy, Robert Wauerthner  
and our new County Board member  
Sr. John Lonergan. Who is  
filling in rather Zimmer place  
in County.

The Librarian, Mrs. Fisher reported on Furniture bids for Corner Steps in Children Room and New Book shelves. There was motion by Mary Lou Baumann and seconded by Carleton Kenley, that Mrs. Fisher and Mr. Holt make a decision and have the Steps & Bookshelves put in as soon as possible.

District Meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> at  
St. Marys College - Mrs. Fisher like  
for sec. to make Reservation as soon  
as possible.

Sunday opening at Public Library  
for a trial during April + May  
from 11:30 to 4:30 o'clock. - The President  
Mr. Schuyler Robinson, said the money  
for the Sunday opening would be provided  
from a friend.

The Circulation report for March 1968  
13,286 - (March 1967) 10,960.

Librarian for Day - Recrute



a student for library work —  
 was made on motion by Mary Lou  
 Baumann and second by Carleton  
 Henley - The motion carried.  
 Mildred McMahon moved the  
 bills of 2, 021.23 be allowed  
 and it seconded by Carleton Henley.

Meeting adjourned  
 Schulger Robinson - Pres.  
 Mildred McMahon - Sec.

May 6 - 1968

The Rensselaer Public Library  
 and contractual met at Regular  
 session Monday evening

Those present - Schulger Robinson  
 Carleton Henley, Mary Lou Baumann  
 Lillian Blumenthal & Mildred McMahon

From County Robert Wewaltner,  
 Sandra Culp, and John Lonergan

Mary Lou Baumann moved  
 the bills of 1, 235.06 be allowed  
 the bills and seconded by  
 Lillian Blumenthal.

Business - getting bids for steps  
 in Children reading area.

Mr. Donnelly making bookshelves

Circulation report for April  
 Demotte - Bookmobile - Rensselaer  
 Library.

1968 =  $\begin{pmatrix} 12, 164 \\ 12, 164 \end{pmatrix}$  / 1967 = 10, 617  
 Remodeling project was  
 considered - Taking in furnace  
 Room - Clean - repair the  
 necessary places and Paint  
 Also considered 2 stor Rooms



that the Bookmobile uses.

The Board ask Mr. Holt and Mr. Loneragan to get estimates.

The Board discussed the Bookmobile unit - there was some consideration of getting a new Chassis, the Van is in good shape.

The Librarian reported on Bookmobile Service throughout the County.

The Board agreed that Non-profit organization, are welcome to use the Children Room of the Public Library after school hours.

There will have to be an advance draw for June.

Fern Fenwick asked to go on 70 hours a month - since she is going on Social Security.

Heleen Martin of Wheatfield was Chosen "Librarian for Day"; on the basis of her application and her interest in library work she is the Librarian assistant at Wheatfield.

Meeting adjourned  
Schulger Robinson Pres.  
Mildred McMahon Sec.



June 10, 1968

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and Contractual Board met in joint session June 3, 1968 at 7:30 P.M. Those present were Schuyler Robinson, Mary Lou Bauman, Lillian Blumenthal, Wilbiam Helt, John Longman, Carleton Hakey, Judge Pary and Mrs Fisher, the librarian. The minutes were read and approved.

Mr. Helt moved and Mr. Hakey seconded that the bills of ~~\$5,000.00~~ <sup>\$1,836.68</sup> be allowed. The motion carried.

Mr. Longman presented a report from the Jasper County Farm Bureau on remodeling the downstairs rooms. The estimate was \$3,022.50. Mrs. Pary moved and Mrs. Blumenthal seconded that another estimate be obtained. Mr. Helt was asked to get this estimate from another contractor. The motion carried.

Mrs. Fisher presented a bill of \$1,200 for shelves & risers. It was moved by Mr. Longman & seconded by Mr. Hakey that no action be taken concerning the above. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Blumenthal & seconded by Mrs. Pary that Donalee's bill concerning book shelves be considered.

It was suggested by Mr. Helt that Mrs. Fisher discuss rifts with the staff.

It was decided to have a called meeting June 20<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was adjourned. Respectedfully submitted, Lillian Blumenthal, Sec'y



June 20, 1968

The Russell Public Library Board and Contractual Board met in joint session at a called meeting June 20, 1968

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Those present were Schuyler Robinson, Robert Wuesthner, John Longman, Lillian Blumenthal, William Halt, Lucie Pary & Carlton Shenley.

It was moved by Robert Wuesthner & seconded by Lillian Blumenthal that we continue to employ Mrs. Fisher on a part time basis. The motion carried.

It was decided to discuss with Mrs. Fisher the possibility of keeping Pama Loren in the library rather than on the bookmobile.

Mr. Halt presented a bid from Mr. Williams for remodeling the downstairs room. The estimate was around \$1200. No action was taken.

The budget for 1969 was discussed & will continue to be discussed at the ~~called~~ meeting, July 1st, 1968.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucie Pary, Acting Sec'y



July 1, 1968

The Peninsula Public Library Board and the Contractual Board met in joint session at the regular meeting July 1, 1968 at 7:30 P.M.

Those present were Scheufler Robinson, Mary Lou Bauman, William Helt, Lucy Pary, Lillian Blumenthal, Sandra Culp, John Longman & Carlton Helly.

Mr. Helt moved and Mrs. Bauman seconded that the bill of \$3,031.36 be allowed. The motion carried.

Mrs. Fisher reported that the bookwatch circulation was up 1,000 this June over June of 1967.

It was brought before the board that a Chicago photographer wishes to rent the back part of the Demuth Library Bldg. The board decided to investigate.

Mr. Helly moved and Mrs. Blumenthal seconded that act library employees be retired at 65 years of age.

The board decided that Mrs. Fisher start looking for a part time librarian with some college training.

The 1969 budget was discussed with existing budget of \$63,590 tentatively approved by the board.

It was decided that there would be a called meeting for July 10, 1968.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
Lucy Pary, Act



July 10, 1968

Members of the Rensselaer & Jasper County Contractual Library boards met at a called meeting July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. Those present were Sky Robinson, Carleton Henley, William Halt, Mrs. Bauman, Mrs. Blumenthal, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Hammond, Robert Wemthner, Mrs. Pary and the librarian, Mrs. Fisher.

The president, Sky Robinson welcomed Mrs. Kate Hammond who had been appointed by the city council to fill the unexpired term of Mildred McMaton.

The 1969 budget was discussed. Mrs. Culp moved & Mrs. Bauman seconded that the county tax rate of 1.14 be accepted. The motion carried. It was moved by Mrs. Bauman and seconded by Mr. Henley that the 1969 budget of \$63,727 be accepted. The motion carried.

Mr. Halt presented Mr. Williams' bid of \$2,108.40 for remodeling the downstairs room. It was discussed and decided that the remodeling could be done for less than \$2,000. A motion was made by Mr. Halt & seconded by Mrs. Bauman that we accept the bid of Mr. Williams, if he can do it under \$2,000. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Halt & seconded by Mrs. Hammond, the newly appointed member of the board that Mrs. Pary act as secretary of the library board.



When the library boards finished their business the Newton County contractual library board was welcomed by the president.

The Newton County board reported that the bookmobile seemed to be doing a great deal of good and they were most pleased with its accomplishments.

The Newton board authorized the payment of \$6,055 for the operation of the Jasper-Newton bookmobile next year. This is about 30% of the bookmobile budget.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucy Pary, Secy.

Aug. 20, 1965

Members of the Remuda and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session August 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present: Mrs. Rorda, Mr. Wentzner, Mr. Kenley, Mrs. Hammons, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Noel and Mrs. Fisher. Mrs. Noel, who was appointed by the judge to complete the unexpired term of Mrs. Bauman was introduced to the members of the board.

Mrs. Kenley, the vice president of the board, presiding in the absence of the president, asked for the reading of the minutes.



The minutes were read and approved as corrected. The correction stated that Mr. Williams bid for remodeling the downstairs rooms should be accepted if it is below \$2,000.

Mrs. Hammond made a motion that we accept a raise of \$620 in the budget over the proposal and approved budget of \$6,827. The motion was seconded by Mr. Holt. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Neil and seconded by Mrs. Pary that we no longer rent a garage for the storage of the bookmobile. The motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Neil and seconded by Mr. Holt that we approve the bills of \$1,625.05. The motion carried.

Mrs. Fisher informed the board that she would be taking a few weeks leave of absence after the birth of her baby. She stated that she hoped to return as part time librarian.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lucy Pary, Sec'y



Sept. 3 1968

Members of the Peninsula and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present: Mr. Longnean, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Nail, Mr. Wenttner, Mrs. Stemmard, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Ronda and the librarian, Mrs. Fisher. Mrs. Mann, the Peninsula Central High School Librarian, was present. She gave a most interesting account of the High School Library and answered many questions. She said she would cooperate in any way possible with the public library staff. It was suggested by the board that the high school library have night hours. Mrs. Mann thought this feasible. Mrs. Mann said she would contact the public library staff when the teachers require next reference material. The board suggested that the reference material be kept in the library at night so that all students might have access to the material. This was to be left to the discretion of the staff.

Microfilm of the following periodicals was discussed: Newweek, Saturday Review, W. S. News, Wall Report and Life.

The city budget and county budget forms were presented to the boards for signature. Mrs. Ronda made a motion and Mr. Longnean seconded the motion that the county budget be accepted. The motion carried.



A motion was made by Mrs. Noel and seconded by Mrs. Perry that we adopt the city budget. The motion carried.

The possibility of purchasing a conveyor belt for books and mail receiving was discussed by the board and Mr. Weirickner said he would go to Valparaiso and look at a conveyor.

It was suggested by Mrs. Noel that an adult reading program be organized.

Mrs. Fisher stated that there was a need for extra help.

An auction of old books and antiques furniture was brought before the board. It was thought that we might conduct a yard auction or that the books and furniture might be placed in another auction with the notation on the bill of sale that they were library owned.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hammond & seconded by Mrs. Noel that the bills of <sup>11, 27, 48, 29</sup> be allowed. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sky Johnson, pres.  
Lucy Perry, Secy



To be included in the minutes of the meeting of the  
Rensselaer Public library board of trustees for Dec. 2, 1968:

On motion of Nalt, seconded by Sen,  
the board voted to approve <sup>by resolution</sup> the following transfers within  
major classifications of the 1968 budget:

### I Personal Services

\$41.84 from #12, Salary of Assistants, to  
#14, Other Compensation.

### II Services Contractual

\$97.52 from #21, Telephone and Communication, to  
#22, Heat, Light and Water.

\$289.14 from #25, Book Processing, to  
#22, Heat, Light and Water.

~~From~~ \$50.96 from #25, Book Processing, to  
#23, Printing and Advertising.

From #25, Book processing, \$229.35 to  
#24, Building and Equipment Repairs.

### V ~~Insurance~~ Current Charges

From #32, Rental, \$140.00  
to ~~from~~ #51, Insurance.

From #55, Social Security, \$32.33  
to #51, Insurance.

From #55, Social Security, \$2.00  
to #54, Dues.

### III Supplies

From #32, Janitor Supplies, \$14.53 to  
#322, Bookmobile, gas, oil, tires, and propane.

### VII Properties

From #72, Equipment, \$89.62 to  
#71, Buildings and Improvements.

From #72, Equipment, \$313.55 to  
#73, Books.

The motion carried unanimously.

*suggested that a ...*



To be included in the minutes of the meeting of the  
Rensselaer Public library board of trustees for Dec. 2, 1968:

On motion of Nalt, seconded by Nen,  
<sup>by resolution</sup>  
the board voted to approve the following transfers within  
major classifications of the 1968 budget:

I Personal Services

\$41.84 from #12, Salary of Assistants, to  
#14, Other Compensation.

II Services Contractual

\$97.52 from #21, Telephone and Communitation, to  
#22, Heat, Light and Water.

\$289.14 from #25, Book Processing, to  
#22, Heat, Light and Water.

~~Enamz~~ \$50.96 from #25, Book Processing, to  
#23, Printing and Advertising.

From #25, Book processing, \$229.35 to  
#24, Building and Equipment Repairs.

V ~~Enamz~~ ~~Supplies~~ Current Charges

From #32, Rental, \$140.00  
to ~~mm~~ #51, Insurance.

From #55, Social Security, \$32.33  
to #51, Insurance.

From #55, Social Security, \$2.00  
to #54, Dues.

III Supplies

From #32, Janitor Supplies, \$14.53 to  
#322, Bookmobile, gas, oil, tires, and propane.

VII Properties

From #72, Equipment, \$89.62 to  
#71, Buildings and Improvements.

From #72, Equipment, \$313.55 to  
#73, Books.

The motion carried unanimously.



Oct. 17, 1968

Members of the Reusslaer and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session Oct 1, at 7:30 P.M. with the following members present: Mr. Henley, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Zorick, Mr. Lounsbrough, Mrs. Pary, Mr. Robinson and Mrs. Fisher the librarian.

Mrs. Zorick who was appointed <sup>to the board</sup> by the judge of the circuit court was welcomed by the president.

Mrs. John Rowan representing the three sororities, Tau Kappa, Sigma Alpha Chi and Sigma Phi Gamma was present to discuss with the board a \$500 gift approved by the sororities toward the purchase of a 16 mm. projector for the library. Mrs. Smith demonstrated the projector. It was suggested that Mr. Lucas be contacted concerning the availability of obtaining a projector from him. It was moved by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mr. Henley & that we accept the donation of \$500. The motion carried.

Mrs. Smith gave an account of the story hour. She stated that there were children from 65 families attending the story hour.

The budget will be presented to the State Board of Tax Commissioners at 3:00 Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Culp suggested that a letter of appeal



opposing a county <sup>city</sup> budget cut for library funds. He presented to the State Tax adjustment board.

Mrs. Culp made a motion and Mr. Loungeon seconded the motion that ~~no~~ more than 10 books be taken out of the library by junior high students. ~~The motion carried.~~ No action was taken.

Mr. Holt presented the figures on insurance for the library building & contents. Mr. Robinson appointed Mr. Kenley, Mr. Holt and Mrs. Zorich to study the insurance program and decide what type insurance should be bought.

Mr. Kenley made a motion and Mr. Holt seconded the motion that we have an auction of books & furniture.

Mrs. Fisher notified the board that she did not wish to continue as head librarian after Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. She stated that she would be available for appointments to the library staff in another capacity. Mr. Robinson appointed Mr. Kenley, Mr. Holt and Mrs. Blumenthal to begin the search for a head librarian.

Mr. Kenley moved & Mr. Holt seconded that the bill of \$1,897.36 be allowed. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
Luigi Pary, Secy.



Nov. 4, 1968

Members of the Pecos and  
Jasper County Contractual Library Boards  
met in joint session Nov. 4, 1968  
at 7:30 P.M. The following members  
were present: Mr. Holt, Mr. Skaley,  
Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Zorick, Mr. J.  
Wentworth, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Culp,  
Mr. Robinson and the librarian,  
Mrs. Fisher.

Mr. Skaley made a motion and  
Mr. Holt seconded the motion that  
the bills of \$1,310.33 be allowed. The  
motion carried.

Mr. Robinson stated that the  
appeal to the tax adjustment board  
opposing a county and city budget  
cut for library funds was too  
late to be accepted.

Mrs. Fisher informed the  
board that she would be available  
as a consulting librarian until  
we could get a librarian. Mr. Holt  
moved a Mrs. Zorick seconded that  
Mrs. Fisher be an administrator  
of the library in a reduced capacity  
until we get a librarian. The motion  
carried.

Mrs. Fisher stated that she  
has a lady by the name of  
Mrs. Schulenberg who had had  
library experience to work at the  
desk.

Mr. Robinson appointed Mrs.  
Zorick and Mrs. Culp to look  
into the library facilities at Roswell  
and decide what was needed  
in the matter of shelves.



A memorial to Mr. Murray who was a member of the library board and past president was discussed. It was suggested that the family be contacted and the memorial discussed with them.

Mrs. Fisher stated that she was investigating the possible gasoline that is repaid.

Mr. Hall stated that Dec. 7 had been set as a tentative date to hold the school auction. He said that he would consult with the school authorities and ask permission to place the discarded library books in the auction.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
 Sky Johnson, Pres.  
 Lucy Pazy, Secy



Dec 2, 1968

Members of the Revere & Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session Dec. 2, 1968 at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present; Mr. Holt, Mr. Henley, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Wenthew, Mrs. Culp & Mr. Robinson. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the following exception: Mr. Holt requested that Mrs. Fisher's official title and position be - Administrative Consultant of the Library as of Dec. 1, 1968 and that the previous minutes be changed accordingly.

The article on the Library Emergency Appropriation was read by Mr. Robinson. Mr. Holt made the motion & Mr. Henley seconded that this be accepted.

Mr. Robinson read the transfers to be made within the major classifications of the 1968 budget. Mr. Holt moved & Mr. Henley seconded the motion that the transfers be made.

Mr. Henley reported that, nothing had been done about the insurance which expires in Feb. of 1969.

Mr. Henley moved and Mr. Holt seconded the motion that bills totaling \$1,511.36 be allowed.

The meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted

Lucy Paly Secy

Kathryn Hammond Secy



Dec. 21, 1968

The Russell Library Board met at a called meeting Dec. 21, 1968 at 2:00 P.M. Those present were Mr. Kenley, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Pary & Mrs. Fisher.

Mr. Holt informed the board that an additional 600 was needed to make the necessary repairs on the downstairs rooms. Mr. Holt moved & Mrs. Pary seconded the motion that 600 be added to the original price of 1920 for the remodeling of the rooms. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned

Judge Pary  
Secy

Jan 6, 1969

Members of the Russell & Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session Jan 6th with the following board members present: Mrs. Jaffa, Mr. Holt, Mr. Overhiser, Mr. Huddleston, Mrs. Pary, Mr. Robinson & Mrs. Fisher the Librarian. Mr. Huddleston, who was appointed by the city council to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Lillian Clementhal was introduced to the board by the president.

Mrs. Davison, the bookmobile clerk made a report concerning the condition of the bookmobile. She stated that many repairs had been made and that the bookmobile



was not in the best of condition, she said they had difficulty starting & warming the automobile during the severe cold weather. It was decided to store the automobile in a heated garage during the winter months.

The salaries of the employees were set as follows:

|                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs Fisher     | \$5,000                 |
| Mrs Smith      | 4,150                   |
| Fern Fenwick   | \$1,680                 |
| Gerald Kerring | 1,700.00 (1775.00)      |
| Glen Scantlin  | 4,850                   |
| Altha Larison  | 4,430                   |
| Ethel Golen    | 4,050                   |
| Mrs. Glicker   | 1,400.00 (1,650 per hr) |
| Gantor         | 1,200                   |
| Pager          | 360                     |
| temporary help | 1,070                   |
|                | <u>\$29,710</u>         |

Mrs Fisher suggested that Mrs Schellberg be interviewed concerning this position as librarian. Mrs Fisher stated that she had her B.S. degree and had worked in a library.

A motion was made by Mr. Kealey and seconded by Mrs. Zisch that the Smith County building lease be renewed with an option to renew thereafter.

Mr. Robinson moved and Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion that the \$2,000.00 <sup>surplus</sup> in the county bookmobile repair fund be used to buy 90 day Treasury bills.

Mrs. Pary moved and Mrs. Hammond seconded the motion that bills totaling \$1,397.46



be allowed. The motion carried

The meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted  
Ske. Harrison Pres.

Lucy Pary, Sec'y

Feb. 3, 1969

Members of the Peninsula and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session Feb. 3, 1969 with the following board members present: Mrs. Zwick, Mrs. Hammond, Robert Wenzel, Mrs. Culp, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Pary, Mr. Longman, Mr. Robinson and Mrs. Fisher, the librarian. Mr. Harrison who was appointed by the judge of the circuit court, Robert Wright, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Carlton Stanley was welcomed by the president.

The president introduced Mrs. Chubb a resident of Peninsula, who had made application for the position of librarian. Mrs. Chubb is a graduate of Lincoln Christian College with a B.A. degree in Christian education. She has no formal education in library science, but stated she would pursue her education in that field if necessary. She was asked to write a short certification board & inquire about a library certificate. Other applications were read & studied.



Mr. Holt presented Mr. Williams' bill of \$2,695.01 for the remodeling of the downstairs rooms. Mr. Holt moved & Mrs. Hammond seconded the motion that ~~two~~<sup>separate</sup> bills be approved for the payment of Mr. Williams. The motion carried.

Mr. Robinson stated that treasury bills of \$2000.00 were bought with the \$2,000 of library improvement ~~reserving~~ ~~expending~~ ~~both~~.

Mr. Holt reported on the insurance plan for the library. It was moved by Mrs. Hammond & seconded by Mr. Harrison that we buy the package policy which included the 80% co-insurance of \$75,000 on bldg.; \$10,000 on contents; \$152,000 on books; \$300,000 liability; \$1,000 medical. The annual premium would be \$102.00.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Shy Johnson, pres.  
 Lucy Pary, Secy

Feb. 19, 1969

Members of the Pecos and Jasper county contractual Library Boards met in joint session Feb. 19, 1969. The president had called a special meeting to interview Mrs. Parnell <sup>Mrs. Shire</sup> who had applied for the position of librarian. Those present were Mrs. Robda, Mr. Longren, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Holt, Mr. Wenzelner, Mrs. Zwick, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Robinson & Mrs. Fisher. Mr. Robinson stated that Mrs. Cunningham



a student at Indiana University who will graduate in June with a degree in Library science had made application for librarian. Mr. Robinson stated that she will be interviewed in March.

Mr. Robinson stated that he was resigning from the board at the expiration of his present term March 1, 1969.

The meeting adjourned

Wm. Robinson, Pres.  
Guy Pary, Secy.

March 3, 1969

Members of the Rensselaer and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session March 3, 1969 with the following board members present: - Mrs. Zolst, Mr. Holt, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Soderstrom, Mr. Longdon, Mr. Weirichner, and Mrs. Fisher, the librarian. Miss Fenwick was also present, the Bookkeeper for the Board. The meeting was called to order by the retiring board president and board member, Mr. Robinson. Miss Fenwick presented a financial Statement to the board. Mr. Holt made a motion, as of now, March 3, 1969, To borrow \$7,500.00 from the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Rensselaer <sup>in order to</sup> ~~to~~ pay current bills. Mr. Soderstrom seconded. The motion carried. A Resolution was adopted to this effect (See insert).

Mr. Soderstrom moved and Mr. Holt seconded to allow bills for \$3,550.16. The



Motion carried.

Nominations were held for the City Board: Mr. Hoet, president - Mr. Soderstrom, Secretary. Both were unanimously approved.

Nominations for the County Board were then held: Mrs. Gulp, Secretary and Mr. Weurthme, president. Both were unanimously approved.

An answer was made to Mrs. <sup>Chubb's</sup> letter in regard to <sup>a library</sup> certificate. The letter stated that a Certificate III is required by the Rensselaer Public Library, which is a degree in library science. Also it did state that you could pursue your degree while employed. Mr. Hoet was going to consult further on this. Mrs. Cunningham, another applicant, is to be contacted by Mr. Robinson for an interview sometime in March.

Mr. Hoet and Mr. Soderstrom agreed to meet with all Library personnel to help iron out difficulties that have arisen.

Before the meeting adjourned in the usual manner the Board welcomed Mr. Soderstrom, the new member who is taking Mr. Robinson's place on the Board. He was appointed for a four-year term.

Respectfully submitted  
 Jacqueline D. Zorich  
 Acting Secy.



Page  
Blank



March 15, 1969

Members of the Rensselaer Library Board met on this date in a special meeting to interview Mrs. Cunningham for the position of Librarian. In attendance were Mr. Holt, Mrs. Zorich, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Beaman, Robert Lockston all of the Board, also in attendance was Mrs. Fisher. The interview was conducted & Mrs. Cunningham was advised that the board would be in touch with her after our regular April meeting.

Meeting adjourned  
Robert Lockston Secy.

April 1969

Members of the Rensselaer & Paper Co. Contractual Library Board met in session at the Library this date with the following members present. Mr. Holt, Mr. Neustromer, Mr. Lockston, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Zorich, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pany & Mrs. Fisher the acting Librarian. After a review of current bills Mrs. Hammond moved they be approved for payment, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Pany - unanimous.

Mr. Laird of the "Friends of the Library" proposed an open house the week of May 20. Mrs. Fisher agreed to assist in the project. The approval was given by the board.

A discussion of the Rockville schedule ~~and~~ operation followed with no conclusion. Under consideration is a 5 day week, shortened summer schedule & no August service at all.



The next topic was Mrs Cunningham, an applicant for the Librarian position. Mr. Solomonson moved she be offered \$4500 annually & kind, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs Hammond & unanimous. Rev. Smith requested 4 weeks off for Mrs Smith, 2 weeks at no pay. Mrs Pany moved she be allowed the added time, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Zorick - 4 apr - 1 may. passed.

Meeting adjourned -

Robert S. Solomonson Secy.

April 29<sup>th</sup> 1969

A special meeting was called by the president, Mr. Holt. The following members of the Peninsula and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards were present:

Mrs Hammond, Mrs Zorick, Mr. Ferguson, Mrs Culp, Mr. Wurthner, Mrs Pany, Mrs Beaman, and Mr. Holt.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hammond & seconded by Mrs Beaman that the position of Librarian be offered to Mrs Chubb at an annual salary of \$2000. The period that she will be in school this summer will be deducted from the \$2000. The board decided that Mrs Chubb work a 40 hr. week and be willing to work nights.

The board decided that the



hookmole ladies be allowed  
a 37 hr week.

The hookmole will take  
two weeks off in August if  
Newton County approves. Mrs.  
Culp made the above motion  
and Mrs. Pary seconded the  
motion. The motion carried.  
The meeting adjourned.

Mr. Holt - Pres.  
John Anderson Secy.  
Lucy Pary Secy. At Large

May 5 1969

Members of the Pearsall  
Library Board met May 5, 1969.  
with the following members present:  
Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Jorick, Mrs.  
Biseman, Mrs. Pary, Mr. Holt and  
the new librarian, Mrs. Chubb.

Bills totaling \$70.98 were  
approved by the board.

Mr. White, an inspector for the  
state library board, inspected the  
library files and suggested  
that some changes be made  
on the files. The board approved  
the suggestion that a plank  
be called to look into the  
situation.

The board decided that  
our present janitor be kept  
until fall if they wished to  
continue and that new janitor  
be hired in September.



The board approved the suggestion of Miss Fenwick that the office be moved to one of the rooms in the basement.

The board decided to disband the use of the depository in front of the library.

It was moved by Mr. Soderstrom and seconded by Mrs. Pary that the movie projector be at the disposal of those outside the library at no cost. The motion carried.

Mrs. Chubb suggested that a pamphlet rack would be most convenient. She will look into the possibility of obtaining one at a future date.

Mrs. Chubb gave a short report on the district meeting held in Valparaiso. Those attending from Orem included the library staff and two board members.

Bob Soderstrom will conduct the meeting in July due to the absence of the president, Mr. Holt.

It was moved by Mrs. Zurich and seconded by Mr. Soderstrom that Mrs. Chubb and Miss Fenwick be given funds to attend a budget meeting in Monticello May 26.

The meeting adjourned.

Mr. Holt pres.  
Bob Soderstrom Secy  
Lloyd Pary Secy pro tem



Monday  
June 2, 1969

All members of the Rensselaer library board and County contractual board were present at the meeting along with several guests and visitors, the librarian, Mrs. Chubb and Miss Fenwick. Lengthy discussion of the 1970 budget took up most of the meeting.

A total of \$500.00 annual salary increase was approved in the budget for the library employees, since Miss Fenwick cannot earn any more money than she is presently drawing, it was agreed that the reduced hours at the same amount of pay would equalize this. Motion by Bob Soderstrom seconded by Mrs. Hammond passed unanimously.

Mrs. Williams of Wheatfield asked the boards assistance in trying to establish a library in Wheatfield, she was encouraged to proceed on her own but no financial assistance was available at this time.

Bills for the month were discussed. Motion to accept by Mrs. Beaman seconded by Bob Soderstrom, passed unanimously.

Mrs. Pany motioned to pay Farmers & Merchants bank note of \$75.00. Seconded by Mrs. Beaman, approved. Mrs. Chubb reviewed her activities for May. She will be returning to the library in September. The contracts by the City and County contractual boards were approved by both



boards respectively for the coming year.

Meeting adjourned.

Robert D. Soderstrom, Sec.

July 7, 1969

Members of the Ponsseleau and Jasper County Contractual Library Boards met in joint session July 7, 1969 with the following members present: John Loregan, Bob Soderstrom, Robert Wemmer, Jackie Zwick, Clea Beaman, Kate Hammond, Erney Harrison and Luze Pary.

Bills totaling \$1,643.80 were approved by the board.

Mrs. Hammond made a motion and Luze Pary seconded that Mr. Soderstrom investigate the possibility of obtaining shelves for the display of mystery books.

It was moved by Mrs. Pary and seconded by Mrs. Beaman that we exclude ourselves from a lawsuit against certain book companies.

It was moved by Mrs. Pary and seconded by John Loregan that we accept the proposed budget of \$65,804.

The meeting adjourned.

Luze Pary  
Sec'y pro tem.  
Wm. Holt President



August 4, 1969

Members of the Rensselaer and Jasper County Contracted Library Board met in joint session Aug. 4, 1969 with the following members present: John Hauwagaar, William Holt, Jackie Joseph, Klea Beaman and Kathryn Hammond.

Bills totaling \$ were approved by the board.

One week vacation with pay was approved for Mrs. Schulerberg.

The following motion was made by Mrs. Hammond and seconded by Mr. Holt: All books received must be checked with the invoice before being processed.

The Newton County board met with us to discuss the budget for 1970. They agreed to their proportionate part (\$30.6) of the bookmobile budget.

Kathryn Hammond  
Secy. pro tem  
Wm. Holt, president

September 2, 1969

Members of the Rensselaer Library Board met September 2, 1969, with the following members present: Mr. Holt, Mr. Wuerthner, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Loneragan, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Zorich, Mr. Soderstrom,



librarian Mrs. Chubb, and Mrs. Roorda of Demotte.

There was a discussion of bookmobile costs versus value received.

Motion was made by Mrs. Pary to allow August bills of \$1,301.62; seconded by Mrs. Hammond. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Soderstrom, second by Mrs. Beaman to replace Mrs. Flickner on a temporary basis. Motion carried.

Budget for 1970 was signed by all members.

Meeting adjourned.

Robt. D. Soderstrom, Sec'y.

October 6, 1969

Members of the Rensselaer Library Board met October 6, 1969, with the following members present: Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Wuertner, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Soderstrom, and Mrs. Chubb, librarian. The invoice from Wack's was withheld for payment. The rest of the bills were approved in the \$738.94. The motion was made by Mrs. Hammond and seconded by Mrs. Beaman.

Mrs. Hammond moved that the Board request an advance draw of \$8,000.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Harrison, and the motion was approved.

Mrs. DeVries was hired as the Demotte librarian to replace Mr. Kenning starting November 1.

The return of overdue books was discussed.

Meeting adjourned.

Robt. D. Soderstrom, Sec'y



November 3, 1969

Members present were Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pavy, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Kuerthner, Mr. Soderstrom, Mrs. Zwick, Mrs. Culp, Mr. Holt, Mr. Donagan, and Mrs. Chubb.

The bill for Wack's repair bill to be paid was moved by Mrs. Zwick and seconded by Mr. Harrison. A letter concerning the high cost was read.

Discussion was held on legal holidays the library would close. Mrs. Chubb was asked to do a study on the matter.

A motion was made by Mrs. Pavy to close on this Veterans Day. Mr. Harrison seconded the motion. There was no vote. Discussion followed and a new worded motion saying this would not mean we would have to close next year. Passed.

Mrs. Chubb reported on activities planned for Children's Book Week. Also she is trying to use a copying machine on a trial basis.

Discussion followed concerning the bookmobile stops. Mrs. Chubb is to look into this matter.

Meeting adjourned.

Robt. D. Soderstrom,  
Secy.



December 1, 1969

Members present for the December meeting of the Rensselaer Library Board were: Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Weurthner, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Beaman, Mr. Loneragan, and Mrs. Chubb and Mr. Soderstrom.

The minutes were read and approved. Mr. Harrison moved the December bills in the amount of \$708.01 be approved. It was seconded by Mr. Soderstrom. Motion passed.

Salaries approved for 1970 are as follows:

|                         |                    |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Librarian               | \$7,200.00         |
| Asst. Librarian         | 4,950.00           |
| Children's Librarian    | 4,250.00           |
| Clerk - \$1.85          | 1,440.00           |
| Bookkeeper              | 1,680.00           |
| Typist - \$1.75         | 1,680.00           |
| Janitor                 | 1,440.00           |
| Shelver - .75¢          | 360.00             |
| Demotte Librarian       | 1,860.00           |
| Bookmobile Lib.         | 4,530.00           |
| Bookmobile Driver       | 4,150.00           |
| Temp. help (Demotte)    | 50.00              |
| Temp. help (Bookmobile) | 150.00             |
|                         | <u>\$33,700.00</u> |

Mr. Harrison made the motion & Mr. Soderstrom seconded.

Year end ledger adjustments within main categories were discussed and a motion to approve transfers was ~~approved~~ made by Mrs. Beaman and seconded by Mr. Soderstrom. Motion passed.



Transfer funds -  
 ① From #11 (salary of librarian) \$15.00  
 to other compensation #14 (Bookmobile  
 librarian, driver, & Demotte librarian).

From salary of librarian #11 to wages  
 of janitor #13 - \$130.00.

② From #25 (book processing & book  
 repairs) to printing \$63.56.

From #25 to bldg. repairs and  
 bookmobile equipment #24 \$1,000.

③ From #55 (social security) \$185.00  
 to #51 (insurance).

From #52 (rent) to (insurance) #51  
 \$450.00.

Mrs. Chubb requested a week of  
 her vacation with pay at Xmas.  
 Mrs. Hammond moved this be  
 allowed, and was seconded by Mr.  
 Harrison.

A librarian's report was given by  
 Mrs. Chubb. Discussion followed  
 on the vandalism, sick leave, and  
 holidays. An old policy was found  
 and read. Mrs. Chubb was asked  
 to rewrite a complete library policy  
 and present it for board consideration.

Election of officers was discussed  
 and decided that new officers  
 would take over in January.

State laws were read



concerning electing the treasurer of the library board. For the present it was decided to continue with the city clerk treasurer as the board treasurer.

Members went upstairs after the meeting to see the new 3-M copying machine.

Meeting adjourned.

Robert D. Soderstrom,  
Secretary

January 5, 1970

Members present were: Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Wuerthner, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Parry, Mrs. Chubb, Mrs. Zorich, Mrs. Beaman, and Mr. Soderstrom.

Approval of other Dec. bills was made seconded by Mrs. Hammond. Minutes were read & approved. Approval of transfer of \$26.00 from dues #54 to Rent #52, & \$40.00 from Social Security #55 to Rent #52 moved by Mrs. Hammond and seconded by Mrs. Beaman. Motion passed.

A motion to invest \$2,000 from L. I. R. F. in treasury bills <sup>and made</sup> by Mr. Soderstrom. Mrs. Hammond seconded the motion which passed. Mrs. Chubb is to check with the banks on amounts of C. D. and due dates. Transfer of the C. D.'s to Treasury bills was discussed and agreed upon to get the highest rate.

Approval of January bills was made by Mr. Harrison. Mrs. Parry seconded it.

Mrs. Chubb gave her report. Main points concerned repair



### Library To Enforce Non-Resident Fee

The Jasper County Contractual Library Board has voted to re-enforce a non-resident fee to library users who are not under their contractual program. Library cards will be issued to any resident of Jasper County exclusive of Carpenter Township and to any resident of Newton County, exclusive of Iroquois and Grant Townships.

Anyone not living in the contractual area, but paying taxes in it, may show a tax receipt and they will be issued a card. An annual fee of \$5.00 may be paid to the library for a card by anyone else living outside the contractual area. The price of the fee is determined by the population already served, the book stock total, and by comparing other fees of similar size libraries throughout the state. This card may be used to check out books, periodicals, and records at the Rensselaer Public Library, the DeMotte Branch, and on the Jasper-Newton County Bookmobile.

This policy will affect persons already issued cards. If you have further questions please feel free to see Mrs. Chubb at the Rensselaer Public Library.

to the  
Mr. =  
judge  
motor

Pres.  
Vice-  
Secr.

Mr. =  
Holt of  
The

Mr. Holt &  
are to use their  
owning a new  
large rental.  
Officers followed.  
Robert Soderstrom  
Hammond  
S. Zorich

thanked Mr.  
service rendered.  
owned.

Robert D. Soderstrom, Pres.  
Mrs. D. Zorich,  
Secretary

February

Members present were: Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Besnor, Mrs. Pong, Mrs. Chup, Mrs. Zorich, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Soderstrom and Mrs. Chubb, librarian. Minutes were read and approved. Mr. Soderstrom reported that we had invested \$5,000.00 in U. S. Treas. Bills, \$2,000.00 in U. S. Treas. Bills (\$7,000.00 total) and \$1,000.00 in Certificates of Deposits (from interest accumulation). \$339.19 in Library Improvement Reserve Fund was transferred to Savings - Motion by Mrs. Pong and Mrs. Harrison seconded - Motion passed. Mrs. Chubb is to give a complete report as to information on cost per month for the copy machine at the next meeting. Mr. Holt made a motion to approve the bills and Mrs. Hammond seconded - Motion passed. Mrs. Chup made a motion to approve the DeMotte Library lease - an increase of \$5.00



to the bookmobile. Mr. Holt & Mr. Soderstrom are to use their judgment concerning a new motor and garage rental.

Election of officers followed.

President - Mr. Robert Soderstrom  
Vice-Pres. - Mrs. Hammond  
Secretary - Mrs. Zorich

Mr. Soderstrom thanked Mr. Holt for his service rendered.  
Meeting adjourned.

Robert D. Soderstrom, Pres.  
~~Jackeline D.~~ Mrs. Zorich,  
Secretary

February 2, 1970

Members present were: - Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Deemer, Mrs. Pong, Mrs. Chup, Mrs. Zorich, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Soderstrom and Mrs. Chubb, librarian. Minutes were read and approved. Mr. Soderstrom reported that we had invested \$5,000.00 in U. S. Treas. Bills, \$2,000.00 in U. S. Treas. Bills (\$2,000.00 total) and \$1,000.00 in Certificates of Deposits (from interest accumulation). \$339.19 in Library Improvement Reserve Fund was transferred to Savings - Motion by Mrs. Pong and Mrs. Harrison seconded - Motion passed. Mrs. Chubb is to give a complete report as to information on cost per month for the copy machine at the next meeting. Mr. Holt made a motion to approve the bills and Mrs. Hammond seconded - Motion passed. Mrs. Chup made a motion to approve the DeMott Library lease - an increase of \$5.00



a month - Total \$65.00 rent - Mrs. Pong Seconded - Motion passed. A letter was read from the Hemming Library President stating not to accept our Open-Door Policy. As a result of this, Mrs. Hammond made a motion to charge \$5.00 annual fee non-resident borrowers outside <sup>the</sup> Contractual Library boundary. Mrs. Berman Seconded & Motion passed. Mrs. Chubb gave her monthly Librarians report & stated the roof is leaking on the East wall - this is to be fixed one of when weather permits. Meeting adjourned in usual manner.

Robert Soderstrom, Pres.  
Jacqueline D. Zouit, Sec.

March 2, 1970

Members present were: Mr. Soderstrom, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Berman, Mr. Wuehner, and Mrs. Chubb, librarian.

Mrs. Hammond moved the minutes be approved as read. Mrs. Berman Seconded. Motion passed.

Bills to be allowed were discussed and Mrs. Hammond moved they be paid. Mr. Harrison seconded.

The board reviewed income and expenses of the 3 M copying machine. It was agreed to keep it for two more months and review it again.

Mr. Harrison moved that the library board borrow \$7,000 for ~~4 months~~ at 5% interest from Farmers and Merchants Bank for



March

# RENSSELAER PUBLIC library

RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

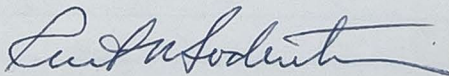
## RESOLUTION

I HERBY CERTIFY, That I am the duly elected and qualified Secretary of the RENSSELAER CITY LIBRARY, an unincorporated Association of Rensselaer, Indiana, and the keeper of the records of the proceedings of said Association and that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by a majority vote at a meeting of the said Library Board of Trustees legally held on the 2 nd day of March, 1970, at which time a quorum were present.

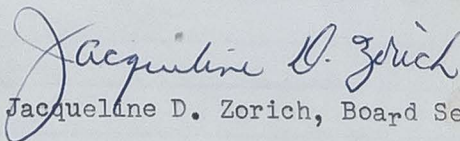
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That

"The Rensselaer City Library under the signature of its President and Secretary be and hereby is authorized to borrow from the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Rensselaer, Indiana, for the City Library Fund the sum of of \$7000 Dollars, and binding the full faith and credit of the City Library Association therefor by promissory note in appropriate form."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed by name as Secretary and have used the corporate seal of said Association to be hereto affixed this 2 nd day of March, 1970.



Robert D. Soderstrom, Board Pres.



Jacqueline D. Zorich, Board Sec.



120 days. Mrs. Beaman  
seconded the motion. A  
resolution is at the bottom  
of minutes.

A further discussion of the  
policy will be continued at the  
next meeting.

Mrs. Beaman moved that  
a no-fine policy go into effect  
now and continue on a trial  
basis until June 1<sup>st</sup> Mr.  
Harrison seconded the motion.

Mrs. Chubb gave her report.  
Among items were the open door  
policy with Benton County, Kentucky,  
Brook. Wolcott has declined.  
Mrs. Chubb is to speak with  
Franksville March 3.

Meeting adjourned.



April 6, 1970

Present at the meeting were:  
Mr. Soderstrom, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Hammond,  
Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Roorda,  
Mrs. Loneragan, and Mrs. Chubb, Librarian.

Bills to be allowed were considered. Mr. Holt moved and Mrs. Hammond seconded a motion to pay them. Motion passed.

A discussion of the district I May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting was held. Permission to write a check for reservations was granted.

The holiday not listed in the policy for 1970 was voted in for the year. It was Veterans Day.

The policy was reviewed and Mrs. Beaman moved it be approved with corrections. Mrs. Pary seconded the motion.

A letter inviting the board to school-community night on April 24<sup>th</sup> was read.

Mr. Holt was asked to get estimates for carpeting and also for the front sidewalk to be repaired.

The librarian's report was given. Because of Mrs. Chubb's school leave the budget will be done this month and reviewed at the May meeting. Permission was given by the board to have a volunteer staff under the Friends of the Library program.

Meeting was adjourned



may

# **RENSSELAER PUBLIC library**

RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

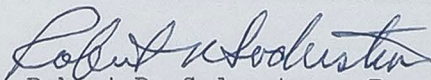
## RESOLUTION

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I am the duly elected and qualified Secretary of the RENSSELAER CITY LIBRARY, an unincorporated Association of Rensselaer, Indiana, and the keeper of the records of the preceedings of said Association and that the following is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by a majority vote at a meeting of the said Library Board of Trustees legally held on the 4th day of May, 1970, at which time a quorum were present by voice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That

"The Rensselaer City Library under the signature of its President and Secretary be and hereby is authorized to borrow from the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Rensselaer, Indiana for the City Library Fund the sum of \$7500 Dollars, and binding the full faith and credit of by promissory note in appropriate form."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my name as Secretary and have caused the corporate seal of said association to be hereto affixed this 4th day of May, 1970.



Robert D. Soderstrom, Board Pres.



Jacqueline D. Zorich, Board Sec.



May 4, 1970

Present were: Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Culp, and Mrs. Chubb.

Discussion was held on the tax situation which leaves no alternative than to borrow. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mrs. Pary seconded the motion that we borrow \$7500 from Farmers and Merchants at  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  interest (State Bank was bid at 6%).

Bills were paid by Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Beaman & Mr. Soderstrom.

All members are receiving copies of dues to be paid, financial statement, and the librarians report.

Mr. Soderstrom and Mrs. Zovich were to take care of the loan.



Page  
Blank



1007

RENSELAER  PUBLIC library

RENSELAER, INDIANA 47978

June 2, 1970

Mr. Denver Tudor  
City Hall  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Mr. Tudor:

The Rensselaer Public Library board has asked me to inform you, treasurer of the board, that \$2,000.00 has been received back from our investment of a treasury bill.

The board desires to have this deposited in the Library Improvement Reserve Fund.

This reduces our investment to \$6,000.00.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Jerry R. Chubb*

Mrs. Jerry R. Chubb  
Head librarian



June 1, 1970

The Redoubt Public Library Board met on June 1, 1970 at 7:30 P.M. with the following members present: Emory Harrison, Robert Lohrestron, Robert W. Werthner, John Lohrestron, Russell Pany, Alice Beaman, Kathryn Hammond and Alberta Roorda. State Representative Walter Roorda also attended the meeting.

We had invited the Newton County Library Board to this meeting to discuss the portion of the budget for the bookmobile. The members present were - Mrs. Rainford, Mrs. Fackler, Mr. Davis and Mr. Dawson - Linn Village, Indiana. Mrs. Linderka, Pres. and Mrs. Pinty - Sec. - Texas - Morocco, Ind. Mr. Lohrestron gave them a tentative figure of their portion, which was between \$5,900.00 and \$6,200.00. We are to read them the final draft of the budget in a few days. They were agreeable to paying their 30% of the total bookmobile & budget.

The minutes of the May meeting were read - moved by Mrs. Hammond and 2nd by Mrs. Pacey that the minutes be approved & read. Motion passed.

We received an estimate for the new roof for the library from the Roth Roofing Co. of Monticello, Ind. The estimate was \$1,170.00, plus additional material (other than specified in estimate) and time.



Mr. Beaman moved and C. Harrison 2nd that we give the contract for replacing the roof to this company. Motion passed.

The only estimate, which Mr. Valt was able to obtain for the sidewalk upper was from Kenneth Mitchell. The work to be done by him was from the bottom of the outside steps to the ~~middle~~<sup>the walk</sup> and four squares on either side of main walk. The estimate for this work was \$ 315.00. Mr. Alexander was going to try to find some one to replace the outside steps. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mr. Harrison said that we accept this estimate for the cement work. Motion passed.

Mr. Valt had obtained 3 estimates for carpeting for the front hall and stairs. In view of the expense incurred for the roof and steps, it was decided to table the carpeting estimate and discuss that at the next board meeting.

The State Bank of New Mexico had sent a check in the amount of \$ 2,000.00. This was the cash from one of our treasury notes. The bank no longer desired to continue this investment for us. Mrs. Clark the librarian was advised to deposit this check in the L. I. R. F. and it will be used for the anticipated roof replacement and possibly the



the sidewalk repair. A letter is to be sent to the Riverside Clerk-Treasurer, advising him of the above transaction, and the change in our investments in the amount of \$2,000.00 as of May 31, 1970.

Mrs. Chubb requested that she should have an employer-employee contract. Mr. Faderstrom advised her to prepare one for discussion at the July meeting.

Copies of the current bills were given to the members. Mrs. Pauer moved and Mr. Harrison 2nd, the motion that the bills be allowed. Motion carried.

There was a discussion concerning the "Friends of the Library" helping out the library. It was decided that they are not to be assigned to any work on the check out desk, reference work or shelving books, but that they may help with book mending and overdue booklist. Lists of the overdue should be checked by qualified library personnel before sending out notices).

Mrs. Chubb advised that the Jasper County Historical Society had purchased two display cases, and had asked permission to place them in the library to be used to display some of our valuable mementos. Their



offer was gratefully accepted.

Miss Fenwick, our bookkeeper and Mrs. Chubb had prepared a tentative budget for 1971. After much discussion on this, it was moved by Mr. Harrison and 2nd by Mrs. Beaman that the final draft of the budget in the amount of \$67,800.00 be accepted. The budget figure incorporates a 340 salary increase for all salaried employees, except Mrs. Yoder, the bookmobile driver and helper, and she is to receive an additional \$200.00 annually. This latter adjustment was made to bring her salary to the commensurate level of other employees. Mr. Soderstrom asked for a vote on the budget figure - vote is as follows:

Aye - Harrison, Beaman, Perry, and Hammond. No - Werthner & Morgan. Budget figure passed. Unanimous vote for Mrs. Yoder's increase. The "no" votes on the overall budget, were voiced because they felt that a 240 salary increase was more advisable at this time, and ~~was~~ <sup>is</sup> more in line with the salaries of other security employees.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
Kathryn K. Hammond O.P.  
Acting Sec'y.



July 1, 1970

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met Wednesday July 1, 1970 at 7:30 P.M. with the following members present: —  
 Emory Harrison Robert Solvestrom,  
 Robert W. Wirthner, John Lorenzo  
 William Holt Lucille Pany, Klu  
 Brown, Sandra Culp, Kathryn  
 Hammond, Jacqueline Zwick and  
 Ann Chubb, the Librarian.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

Mr Holt moved and Mrs Pany seconded that the bills be approved as listed. The motion carried.

Mrs Brown moved and Mrs Hammond seconded to extend the note of \$14,500.00 which is due July 23, 1970. This extension is to be for an additional six (6) months. The motion carried.

Mrs Pany moved and Mr Harrison seconded to accept a Resolution ~~from~~ a Temporary loan from the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, Rensselaer, Indiana for the sum of \$14,500.00 until December 31, 1970 with an interest rate of 5 1/2%. The motion carried.  
 (See insert)



Mr. Solustrom then read a Librarian's Contract which was presented to the Board by Mrs. Chubb for approval. After discussion Mr. Holt moved that we accept the contract with the change of \$6,285.00 a year instead of \$7,200.00 a year as stated. To also read from July 1, 1970 to June 30, 1971 Mrs. Pong recorded the above motion carried by four (4) - Mr. Holt, Mrs. Pong, Mrs. Deamon and Mr. Harrison voting approval. Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Zorich voted opposed.

The Budget was then presented for signatures.

The report on carpeting was post-poned till a later date.

A letter of resignation was read by Mr. Solustrom from Mrs. Jamie Mullens. This to take effect Sept. 1, 1970.

Librarian's report & the Summer Schedule was read.

Meeting was adjourned in the usual manner.

Robert Solustrom Pres.  
Jacqueline H. Zorich, Sec.



August 3, 1970

The Pusselau Public Library Board met Monday evening at 7:30. The following members were present: Pres. Don Solustrom, Mr. Hest, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Zwick and City Fisher. The minutes were read and approved.

Don Solustrom opened the bids for interest for the sale of temporary loan warrants. The Farmers & National Bank of Pusselau had a  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  interest rate while the State Bank of Pusselau had a  $6\%$  interest rate. Mrs. Hammond made a motion to accept the lower rate of interest - Mr. Hest seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. John Soreen sent a <sup>copy of his</sup> letter of resignation to the Library Board. It is to take effect immediately.

The bills were read and a motion to accept them was made by Mrs. Pary & seconded by Mrs. Beaman. Motion carried.

Mr. Solustrom said that John Blue was bringing up the Abstract of the Library property up to date & there is to be no charge for this service. Mr. Solustrom will write a thank you note to him.

Mr. Hest will advertise the budget August 24, 1970.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Hest & seconded by Mrs. Beaman. Robert Solustrom Pres.  
Jacqueline D. Zwick Sec.



Sept. 8, 1970

The Pusselaes Public Library Board met Sunday evening at 7:30. The following members were present: Mr. Stath, the new board member, Mr. Wentzner, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Pavy, Mr. Holt and Mrs. Hammond who conducted the meeting due to the absence of the president, Mr. Soderstrom. The minutes were read and approved.

The motion to allow the bills was made by Mr. Harrison and seconded by Mrs. Beaman. The motion carried.

The third hearing for the approval of the budget was held in the presence of the board members.

The librarian recommended that Eunice Mackey be employed as part time help. Judge Pavy moved and Mr. Harrison seconded the motion that this recommendation be accepted. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned.

Roger Soderstrom, Pres.  
Judge Pavy, acting secy.



Sept. 23 '70

A special meeting was called by the Mr. Robert Solerstrom for the purpose of deciding whether the Board wanted to protest the Tax reduction as proposed by the Jasper County Tax Adjustment Board. There were 7 members present: Pres. Robert Solerstrom, Mr. Charles Stahl, Mrs. Robert Wierstrom, Mr. Wilson Holt, Mr. Emory Harrison, Mrs. Sandra Culp, and Mrs. Jacqueline Zouik. Also present were 7 visitors from Tefft. The spokesman for the visitors, who had come in behalf of the board, protested the tax ~~reduction~~ was Mrs. Larry Hunter. One of the main examples of favoring the Bookmobile was the <sup>may</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>advantages</sup> it gives to the 15 to 30 people at the big home - Christian Home. It was also stated that a book but only services the person who first checks it out; it is passed from household to household in the 2 week period. General letters were also given the board in favor of appealing the Tax reduction. After discussion Mr. Stahl moved & Mrs. Culp seconded to appeal the tax cut of  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  ~~70~~. The motion was unanimously.

Robert Solerstrom Pres.  
Jacqueline Zouik Sec.



Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of Rensselaer, Jasper County, Indiana, that the proper legal officers of said municipality at their regular meeting place at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on the 10th day of December, 1970, will consider the following additional appropriations which said officers consider necessary to meet the extraordinary emergency existing at this time.

Interest ..... \$650.00  
These appropriations are made by the regular budget appropriations in the amount of \$650.00. Taxpayers appearing at such meeting have a right to be heard thereon. An additional appropriation as provided for herein will be automatically added to the State Board of Tax Commissioners which Board will hold a hearing within fifteen days of the date of the county auditor's office of Jasper County, Indiana, or at such place as may be designated. At such hearing, taxpayers objecting to such additional appropriations may be heard and interested taxpayers may inquire of the county auditor when and where such hearing will be held.

ROBERT SODERSTROM  
President, Library Board  
Rn 9, 16.  
Nn 10, 17.

RS 9/70

1970

The Rensselaer Library met with the following present: Robert Soderstrom, Harrison, Klea Beaman, Paup, Robert W. Henthorne and Hammond. There had been no October meeting, thus the last two months - Sept. and Oct. were executed. Mrs. Hammond moved Mrs. Beaman seconded the

motion for approval of the bills for Sept. & Oct. Mrs. Soderstrom read the resolution concerning Library Emergency Appropriation. (Resolution attached). The resolution action is necessary due to the necessity of borrowing money and the interest will be approximately \$650.<sup>00</sup> Mrs. Harrison moved and Mrs. Paup seconded that the \$650.<sup>00</sup> be transferred from the Equipment Fund to the Interest Fund.

The board made a unanimous decision to discontinue at once purchasing books for individuals. Mrs. Chubb read letter from State Library concerning the voting rights of the members of the Jasper County Contractual Board. Apparently the procedure in the past has been correct, and those members are to vote on matters pertaining to county business only. Mrs. Chubb gave the librarians report for October. Meeting adjourned.

Robert Soderstrom - Pres.  
Kathryn Hammond - P.  
acting Secy.



Nov. 2, 1970

The Russell Library Board met with the following members present: Robert Soderstrom, Emory Harrison, Klea Beaman, Lucy Paup, Robert W. Smith and Kathryn Hammond. There had been two October meetings, thus the bills for two months - Sept. and Oct. were presented. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mrs. Beaman seconded the motion for approval of the bills for Sept. & Oct. Mrs. Soderstrom read the resolution concerning Library Emergency Appropriation. (Resolution attached). The resolution action is necessary due to the necessity of borrowing money and the interest will be approximately \$650.<sup>00</sup> Mrs. Harrison moved and Mrs. Paup seconded that the \$650.<sup>00</sup> be transferred from the Equipment Fund to the Interest Fund.

The board made a unanimous decision to discontinue at once purchasing books for individuals.

Mrs. Chubb read letter from State Library concerning the voting rights of the members of the Jasper County Contractual Board. Apparently the procedure in the past has been correct, and those members are to vote on matters pertaining to county business only. Mrs. Chubb gave the librarians report for October.

Meeting adjourned.

Robert Soderstrom - Pres.  
Kathryn Hammond - Sec.  
acting both.



Dec. 7, 1970

The Rungelach Library Board met with the following members present: Mr. Halt, Emory Harrison, Robert Loderstrom, Sandra Culp, Charles Stath, and Kathryn Hammond. The bills were presented. Mr. Halt moved and Mrs. Hammond seconded the motion that the bills be allowed. Motion passed.

Mrs. Chubb presented resume of funds and expenditures for the next six months.

\* Problems concerning the bookmobile and McMatte library were discussed. The amount of to charge the McMatte school for use of the room, (utilities, lites & telephone)

Mr. Loderstrom requested Mrs. Culp to check into the <sup>best</sup> way to invest \$5000.<sup>00</sup> This amount was received from the State Bank of Rungelach. They wanted not receive over U. S. Treasury rate.

Mrs. Chubb read bids from three decorators for painting interior of library. Bids are as follows:

Cover \$796.<sup>00</sup>; Scherich \$736.<sup>00</sup>; Eaton \$693.<sup>50</sup>.

This improvement is to be discussed in detail at the January meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Harrison and 2nd by Mr. Halt.

Robert Loderstrom, Pres.  
Kathryn Hammond  
Acting Secy.

\* The board was not aware of the school using the library facilities until this meeting.



January 4, 1971

The Rensselaer Library Board met with the following members present: Mr. Seduction Mrs. Weather Mrs. Stahl Mrs. Pong Mrs. Zwick and Mrs. Chubb. The minutes from the last meeting were read & approved.

Mr. Seduction recommended and the board approved that we wait until warmer weather to paint. Mrs. Pong made a motion to ~~transfer~~ approve the following transfers all also to approve the bills be allowed. Mr. Stahl seconded the above motions. Both passed. The transfers were as follows:-

- 1) Transfer \$90.22 from personal service #11 to other compensation #14
- 2) Transfer \$28.66 from heat, light, & water #22 to communication #21
- 3) Transfer \$50.80 from heat, light, & water #22 to printing #23
- 4) Transfer \$9.49 from gas, oil, paper, & tires #33 to office supplies #31
- 5) Transfer \$160.98 from gas, oil, paper, & tires to library supplies #32
- 6) Transfer \$8.00 from O.A.S.I. #55 to Insurance #51
- 7) Transfer \$36.00 from O.A.S.I. to dues #54.

Mrs. Chubb said she was going to ask Baker & Taylor, a company we buy the majority of our books from for the ~~de-legal~~ Bureau. ~~to~~ Baker out a Certificate of Deposit at the Rensselaer Library is to receive the interest for this. The first int should arrive sometime in March 1971.



Since our ~~chap~~ cyp was not present  
 to report on the best way to infect  
 the ~~of~~, our ~~man~~ was ~~clerk~~ a ~~quarant~~  
 present to note, the matter was  
 stalled till the next meeting <sup>which was by</sup> in Feb.

The Depute Clementy ~~had~~  
 requested the Bookmobile to stop  
 at their school after the ~~thirteenth~~  
 children move into town to school.

Meeting adjourned  
 Robert Lockington Pres.  
 Jacqueline Zornel Sec.



February 2, 1971

Mr. Denver Tudor  
Treas. of Rensselaer Public Library  
City Hall  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Mr. Tudor:

The Rensselaer Public Library Board asked me to inform you, the Treasurer of the Board, to invest \$10,000.00 in Certificates of Deposit. \$9,537.70 from the Library Improvement Reserve Fund and \$462.30 from Savings, totalling \$10,000.00.

Yours truly,

Robert Soderstrom  
President  
Rensselaer Public Library Board

S:f



March 1, 1971

The Russell Library Board met with the following members present: - Mrs. Burman, Hammond, Culp, Drenenstuck, Zorick, Mr. Harrison, Steve Weirther, Solustrom, and Mrs. Chubb, librarian.

The minutes were read of the Jan. meeting & approved. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mr. Harrison seconded to approve the Feb. bills. Motion passed.

A copy of all expenses for the year 1970 were given to all. There will be for one at the next meeting with the idea in mind to help with the budget for this year.

Mrs. Chubb talked about the hiring of a Page to take Mack Cibel place and also of a 2nd page for downstairs. The Board agreed to leave this up to Mrs. Chubb. Her move is to be employed upstairs & not to be left alone in the library as she is going to the County Clerk's office election. Mr. Robert Weirther is again President as is Mrs. Sandra Culp Treas. Charles Stark made the motion & Mr. Solustrom seconded.

The City election was held & Mr. Solustrom is President; Mrs. Hammond, Vice Pres. & Mrs. Burman Sec. Mrs. Burman nominated Mr. Solustrom & Mrs. Hammond seconded; Mr. Harrison nominated Mrs. Hammond & Mrs. Burman seconded and Mrs. Zorick nominated Mrs.



Benson and Mrs Hammel Secured.  
The meeting adjourned in the  
usual manner.

Robert Johnston Pres.  
Jacqueline Zurich Sec.



April 5, 1971

The Kearsdale Public Library Board met Monday Evening, April 5, at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present: Mrs Hammond, Mrs Pary, Mrs Zorich, Emory Harrison and Mrs Culp.

The minutes were read and approved as corrected of the March meeting.

Jackie Zorich moved and Mrs. Harrison seconded to approve the bills to be allowed. The bills passed.

A discussion of appointing a Treasurer was tabled until the next meeting.

Mrs. Chubb gave the Librarian's report.

The Kearsdale Public Library Board and Jasper County Contractual Board met at the Kearsdale Library on April 5, 1971 at 7:30. The following members were present: Lucye Pary, Jackie Zorich, Emory Harrison, Kathryn Hammond and Sandra Culp. The meeting was called to order by Kathryn Hammond, Vice president due to the <sup>absence</sup> of Robert Soderstrom. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Corrections and additions were made. i.e. the board had decided at the last meeting that the pages were not to be left alone in the library at any time. Bills for March in the amount of \$3,332.83 were allowed. Lucye Pary moved and Jackie Zorich seconded the motion.

We were advised that a bill passed the State Legislature making it mandatory that the treasurer for the library funds should be appointed from acting board. We decided to wait until official notification of this law before appointing the Treasurer. Mrs. Chubb is to inquire into the possibility of having the two



Treasurers Covered by one bond (City and County.)

Mrs. Smith the Children's Librarian, had requested time off, the month of May and two weeks in June (without pay). In August she wanted to take her regular vacation of three weeks. The Board felt that this was not advisable, and requested Mrs. Chubb to advise her that we felt that the two weeks in June should be taken as part of her vacation time, and that the third week of her vacation could be taken in August or at such time as would be convenient for Mrs. Chubb. She arrived at this decision due to the fact that we would be setting a precedent, and that if we allowed one employee to be absent for that length of time, we would have to abide by this decision and grant the same privilege to other employees if requested.

Mrs. Chubb advised that there was a meeting of trustees on May 6, in Valparaiso.

Mrs. Chubb asked that she should be allowed to give several Children's Catalogues to the Lake County library. She asked that she check with St. Joe's College to determine if they would have any need for these books, and if they did, advised her to give them to St. Joe's College.

Mrs. Chubb advised that she would like to change the method of counting the circulation for each day. There was no objection.

Mrs. Chubb is going to inquire into the procedure to be followed to



have a city library tax put into the budget of the town of ~~Demotte~~ Demotte

There being no further business it was moved and Mr. Harrison and seconded by Mrs. Beaman that the meeting be adjourned.

Robert Loderstrom Pres.  
Klea Beaman Sec.



May 3, 1971

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and the Jasper County Contractual Board met at the Rensselaer Library May 3, 1971 at 7:30 P.M.

The following members were present, Lucye Pary, Jackie Zwick, Kathryn Hammond, Charles Stath, Bob Heurthner, Robert Soderstrom and Klee Beaman. The meeting was called to order by Robert Soderstrom, president. The minutes were read and approved.

Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Chubb were appointed to compose a letter and send to Denotte about the tax for the Denotte Branch Library. Jackie Zwick was unanimously appointed by the consent of the City and County Library as treasure of the Rensselaer Public Library Board.

It was voted to raise the price of the Copying machine from 10¢-15¢ for regular copies and 15¢ to 20¢ for legal copies. It was also <sup>voted</sup> to use some money from the gift fund to purchase books.

Mrs. Hammond moved and Lucye Pary seconded that the bill be paid motion was passed.

Mrs. Chubb announced a Budget Meeting to be held at Kentland, June 5<sup>th</sup> and ~~she~~ also made her monthly report. She also said the Legislature raised the Library tax rate from 37¢ to 45¢.

Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Beaman was appointed to go over schedule of hours of Library employees with Mrs. Chubb.

Mrs. Hammond ~~seconded~~ and Jackie Zwick seconded that we adjourn.

Robert Soderstrom, President  
Klee Beaman Sec.



RENSSELAER  PUBLIC library

RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

May 12, 1971

Denver Tudor  
Clerk-Treasurer  
City Hall  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Sir:

The 1971 legislature passed a Library Law which transfers our funds from the City Clerk-Treasurer to a Treasurer elected by the Rensselaer Public Library Board from one of its members.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met on May 3rd, 1971 and elected Mrs. Jacqueline Zorich as treasurer.

The procedure mailed to us from the Indiana State Library this month states that the transfer of funds from the City Clerk-Treasurer to the newly elected Treasurer should be made at the end of the month after our books have been balanced.

We hope this will be satisfactory with you to transfer the funds the latter part of May.

Yours truly,

*Kathryn K. Hammond Vice Pres.*  
Robert Soderstrom, President  
Rensselaer Public Library Board

S:f

*Transferred funds May-29-1971*



To: Indiana Public Libraries  
From: Extension Division, Indiana State Library  
Re: Library Board Treasurers

*New Law  
Passed in 1971  
Legislative*

On March 30, 1971, Governor Edgar Whitcomb signed H.B. 1272 into law. This bill amends the Indiana Code 20-13-1 (Public Library Law of 1947) by changing the provisions of Section 22 with regard to electing a treasurer of the library board.

The I.C. 20-13-1 as amended now provides that "the treasurer elected from the membership of the board, pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 9 of this act, shall be the custodian of all funds and securities of the library." H.B. 1272 deleted the provisions of Section 22 which gave a library board authority to designate a county, city or town official (hereinafter referred to as clerk-treasurer) as treasurer of the library board. The Bill also amended Section 9 by providing that "the board shall elect from its members a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer, and such other officers as the board may deem necessary, and shall forthwith draft and adopt by-laws for the board's procedure and management." (I.C. 20-13-1)

H.B. 1272 became effective on March 30, 1971, with the Governor's signature, as provided by the bill's emergency clause.

A public library board of trustees whose treasurer is not a member of the board but which currently designates the clerk-treasurer as library board treasurer should observe the following procedures in electing a library board treasurer:

- done*
1. Elect a library board treasurer from among the membership of the library board at the next regular scheduled board meeting.
  2. Send notification of the election of the new library board treasurer to the clerk-treasurer. The provisions of H.B. 1272 should be noted as the authority for the changeover in board treasurers. Effective date of the bill (March 30, 1971) should also be noted.

*sent  
may 29th*

After the clerk-treasurer has reconciled the library funds at the close of the month, the clerk-treasurer should issue a warrant for the financial record balance to the new board treasurer.

*Raw  
Firestone  
about this*

At the time of the changeover of treasurers, any investments held by the library should be inventoried by both the clerk-treasurer and the new library board treasurer and the inventory signed by both persons. If the library has a safe-deposit box, the clerk-treasurer's name should be removed and the new library board treasurer should be given access to the box. A resolution from the library board will provide authority for this action.

3. The library treasurer upon assuming responsibility for the library funds shall maintain the "Financial and Appropriation Record," Forms 1, 1A and 1B. It may be that this record has been maintained by the librarian; if not, a statement of the unexpended appropriations should be obtained from the clerk-treasurer.



4. Send notification of the election of the new library board treasurer to the bank(s) which acts as depository for library funds. Signature of the new treasurer must be placed on file at the bank(s).

After the new library board treasurer has been elected, the clerk-treasurer should turn over to the new treasurer all unused (blank) library warrants. After the present supply is exhausted warrants may be printed in duplicate (Form 2) rather than in triplicate.

- done* 5. The new library board treasurer shall give a corporate surety bond for the proper accounting of all funds and securities which may come into his hands. The library board shall determine the amount of the bond, and the cost of the bond shall be paid from the library operating fund. (I.C. 20-13-1)
- sent* 6. Send notification to the county auditor that library tax receipts should no longer be sent to the clerk-treasurer but should be forwarded to the new library board treasurer.

This release has been reviewed by the State Board of Accounts.

*sent for Employer's identification number*

*sent for W-2 forms*



RENSSELAER  PUBLIC library

RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

May 12, 1971

Ralph Ansler  
County Auditor  
Court House  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Sir:

The 1971 legislature passed a Library Law which transfers our funds from the City Clerk-Treasurer to a Treasurer elected by the Rensselaer Public Library Board from one of its members.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met on May 3, 1971 and elected Mrs. Jacqueline Zorich, as Treasurer.

Library tax receipts should no longer be sent to the City Clerk-Treasurer but should be forwarded to Mrs. Jacqueline Zorich, the new Library Board Treasurer.

Transfer of funds will be made from the City Clerk-Treasurer to the Library Board Treasurer sometime the last of this month.

Yours truly,

*Katherine K. Hammond Vice Pres.*  
Robert Soderstrom, President  
Rensselaer Public Library Board

S:f

*Transferred funds May-29-1971*



RENSSELAER  PUBLIC library  
RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

May 18, 1971

Wayne E. Firestone, President  
State Bank  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Sir:

The 1971 legislature passed a library law which transfers our funds from the City Clerk-Treasurer to a treasurer elected by the Rensselaer Public Library Board from one of its members.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board met on May 3, 1971 and elected Mrs. Jacqueline Zorich as Treasurer. She is solely authorized to have access to the safety deposit box of the Rensselaer Public Library.

Yours truly,



Robert Soderstrom, President  
Rensselaer Public Library Board



Page  
Missing



Page  
Missing



June 7, 1971

- ✓ Mr. Soderstrom opened the meeting with the following present: Robert Soderstrom, William Holt, Emory Harrison, Lucy Pary, Jacqueline Zorich, Robert Wherthorn, Charles Stath, Sandra Culp, Klea Deaman, and Ann Chubb.
- ✓ Bills were presented and a motion was made by Mr. Holt & Mr. Harrison seconded, that they be paid. Motion carried.
- ✓ Mrs. Zorich reported the June draw was given. Our balance is \$23,126.46.
- ✓ Mr. Soderstrom read a ~~motion~~ letter of resignation from Mrs. Chubb. Her husband has accepted a teaching position in Warsaw, Indiana. Her resignation is effective August 15, 1971.
- ✓ Mr. Soderstrom appointed the following as members of an interview committee: Mr. Charles Stath, Chairman, Mr. Holt, and Mrs. Pary. Mrs. Chubb will serve as an ex officio non-voting member.
- ✓ Mr. Soderstrom also directed Mrs. Chubb to put an ad in the Rossman Republican, Jasper County News, & the Fayette Courier. Also she is to write letters I.U., T.S.U., Ball State, & Purdue.
- ✓ Mrs. Chubb presented her report to the board.



✓ Discussion was held on the Demotte Branch tax situation.

✓ Copies of the first draft of the budget were distributed to each member and were to be mailed to those absent.

✓ Mrs. Chubb was asked to contact the Newton County board concerning their approval of the 1972 Brookmobile budget. They are invited to meet with our board on July 12, 1971, at 7:30 P.M. A copy of the proposed budget was to be sent for their study before the meeting.

✓ The next board meeting will be changed to July 12<sup>th</sup> because of the conflicting legal holiday.

Meeting adjourned.



July 12, 1971.

Members of the Rensselaer Public Library and Contractual board met in joint session July 12, 1971. The following members, Mr. Holt, Mrs. Pary, Mr. Hammond, Mrs. Zwick and Mrs. Beaman met with Newton County Board Members Carrie Evelyn Lukuski, Ingberg, Stauch, Dean Dauter, Lowell Davis. Mr. Holt moved and Mrs. Pary seconded that we disperse with reading of the minutes Motion carried.

Discussion of brookmobile budget was held. Newton County is satisfied with schedule and time allotment of 30.6%.

Klea Beaman moved and Kathryn Hammond seconded that the bills be allowed.

Mr. Soderstrom appointed Mrs. Hammond to check on the utility bills for the month of May.

Discussion was held on the 1972 budget. Mr. Holt moved and Mrs. Pary seconded that the budget be approved. The budget includes a 3% increase for salaried employees and 5¢ a hour for hourly employees.

Mr. Holt gave a brief report of interview of applicants. Mr. Stath will call a meeting of the full board to interview selected applicants. Mr. Chubb gave her library report.

Mr. Soderstrom moved and Mrs. Zwick seconded that we adjourn.

Robert Soderstrom Pres.

Klea Beaman Sec.



Page  
Blank



Aug 2, 1971

The Rensselaer Library Board and the Contractual Board met in joint session Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> with the following members present: Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Stath, Mrs. Zorick, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Pavy, Mr. Wemithner, and the librarian, Mr. Chubb.

It was moved by Mrs. Zorick and seconded by Mr. Harrison that the board interview at least two or more applicants for the position of librarian. The motion carried.

Mrs. Pavy moved and Mrs. Zorick seconded the motion that the bills be allowed. The motion carried.

A letter from the state was read by Mrs. Chubb concerning a tax increase for the Town of Denoth, since it has become incorporated. The only alternative according to the state would be a tax levy increase in the area of Jasper County.

The next meeting will be held on Tues. Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> since Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> is the last date for the 1<sup>st</sup> publication of the budget and Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> is the last date for the 2<sup>nd</sup> publication of the budget and Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> is the date set for the public hearing on the budget. Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> is the last date to file the budget.

Mr. Harrison moved and Mrs. Zorick seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned.

Robert Soderstrom, pres.  
Luzie Pavy, Acting secy.



~~Sept~~ Aug, 16, 1971

A special meeting of the Library Board was called by the president, Mr. Soderstrom. The purpose of the meeting was to hire a new librarian. Those members of the Treasurer Board and Contractual Board present were; Charles Stath, Wm Hall, Kathryn Hammond, Lucie Pary, Bob Apenethner, and Robert Soderstrom.

Mr. Hall made a motion and Mrs. Hammond seconded the motion that the board members vote unanimously for Pamela Brown as our new librarian with a starting salary of 7,000. She is to begin her duties Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> 1971. The meeting was adjourned.

Robert Soderstrom, Pres.  
Lucie Pary, Acting Secy.



The Keweenaw Library Board met Sept 7, 1971. Mr. Soderstrom opened the meeting. Members present were - Lucye Lary, Kathryn Hammond, Jackie Zwick, Klea Beaman, Sandra Pulp, Bob Sheurthner, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison and Mr. Soderstrom.

The secretary's report was read and approved. Motion was made by Lucye Lary and seconded by Klea Beaman that the bills be allowed. No one appeared with any objections to the budget.

The September salary increase for Mrs. Zwick was discussed. And ~~we decided~~ ~~motion was made~~ that we should observe the wage and price freeze.

Our new librarian Pamela Brown presented the winter hours for the library. 9:30<sup>AM</sup> - 8:30<sup>PM</sup> Monday through Friday and 9:30 to 5 P.M. on Saturday. The board approved these hours.

Mr. Soderstrom requested Miss Brown to check into hospitalization and Health insurance for the library employees.

The hiring of a page for the Children's library from 6:30 - 8:30 P.M. was discussed. Miss Brown will present names of applicants at the October meeting. However, it was thought advisable that the downstairs restroom should be locked and the key obtained at the desk.

Miss Brown also presented the bookmobile schedule.

Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Soderstrom and Mr. Sheurthner agreed to represent the library at the County Adjustment Board meeting which is September 15.



We were delighted to have our  
new librarian with us.

The meeting adjourned. -

Robert Loderstrom Pres.

Klen Beaman Sec.



Oct. 4, 1971

The Kenosha Library Board met Oct. 4, 1971. Mr. Soderstrom opened the meeting. Members present were, Lucye Pary, Kathryn Hammond, Jackie Zorick, Bob Heathner, Sandra Culp, Klee Beaman, Bob Soderstrom and Miss Brown.

The minutes were read and approved. A discussion was held on the Bookmobile and Miss Brown was appointed to contact the Newton County Board that services may have to be curtailed by Dec. 31, 1972. This is due to problems arising from the maintenance of Bookmobile.

Mr. Heathner, Mrs. Culp and Mrs. Stahl were appointed to look into a new bookmobile service.

Mrs. Hammond moved and Lucye Pary seconded that we have an ~~extended~~ extra holiday for the year.

Leah Beaman and Vicki Gurner were hired to work as part-time pages for the Children's ~~room~~ <sup>room</sup> at night.

A motion was made by Klee Beaman and seconded by Lucye Pary that we transfer \$200.00 from the Building repair fund to the postage and telephone fund.

A motion was also made by Jackie Zorick and seconded by Kate Hammond that we buy a typewriter for approximately \$100.

Mrs. Hammond moved and Jackie Zorick seconded that bills be allowed motion carried.

The meeting adjourned  
Klee Beaman Sec.  
Bob Soderstrom Pres



To the Board of the Public  
Library:

I am resigning as of Dec.  
31, 1971.

I am very happy to have had  
a part in encouraging lots of  
little people to enjoy books  
and experience a happy time  
at the Library. It seems to me  
that this program means a lot  
to the Library and should be  
continued. During each  
session of story hours there  
are children coming for the  
first time and always there  
are mothers who sign up for  
a library card for the first  
time.

Respectfully  
Allene Smith

Nov. 1, 1971

a discussion was also held on price  
of Card Catalogue.

It was decided to close the Library  
at 5:30 P.M. Wednesday evening before  
Thanksgiving. The week between Christmas  
and New Years the Library will stay open  
Monday and Wednesday evenings only.

There was a report on overdue books  
and Miss Brown will make another report at  
the December meeting.



The Kossel Library Board and County Board met November 1, 1971. The following members were present Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Kary, Mr. Theuthner, Mr. Hutch, Mr. Zwick, Mr. Bearman, Miss Brown and Mr. Lodeston.

Mr. Holt moved and Lucie Kary seconded that the bills be allowed. The motion carried.

It was discussed and decided to investigate the cost of carpeting for the entrance way and steps of the Library. Various businesses were to be contacted by Miss Brown.

The board was advised that the state board of accounts would meet at the Court House Wed. Nov. 3 at 11:00 P.M. Mrs. Hammond was selected to attend the meeting.

Mrs. Smith's resignation was read, to be effective December 31, 1971.

A discussion was held on the Copying machines, it was decided to remove the (B.M.) machine and replace it with the Zerox machine.

A discussion on Insurance was tabled until a future date.

A discussion was also held on price of Card Catalogue.

It was decided to close the Library at 5:30 P.M. Wednesday evening before Thanksgiving. The week between Christmas and New Years the Library will stay open Monday and Wednesday evenings only.

There was a report on overdue books and Miss Brown will make another report at the December meeting.



Miss Brown is to draw up a resolution  
to pay the balance due on the (3 M) bill.

The meeting adjourned.

Alex Brown Sec.

Robert Soderstrom. Pres.



Rensselaer Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Board Members:

I would like to request that I should be allowed to work three or four hours a day beginning Jan. 1, 1972. Due to health reasons it is advisable for me to discontinue working full time. (37½ hrs. per wk.)

I want to thank all of you most sincerely for your kindness and consideration during my years as a full time employee. If in the future, conditions improve I shall anticipate working full time. However, shall continue to do my utmost to be of service to you and the patrons of the library if my request to work part time, meets with your approval.

Most sincerely,

*Helen M. Scantlin*

Helen M. Scantlin

The account number (51) for insurance was short \$69.31. This was transferred from account number (55) (Social Security) number, account.



The Peninsula Library Board and County Library Board met Dec. 6, 1971. The following members were present: Mr. Helt, Mr. Loderstrom, Mr. Stath, Mr. Heurthel, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Pary, Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Zwick, Mrs. Berner and Miss Brown.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

A motion was made by Mrs. Hammond and seconded by Mrs. Pary that the bills be allowed. The motion carried.

Miss Brown will inquire about a bookmobile - van size. Mr. Heurthel will check with local dealers on the van.

Sandra Culp moved that an adding machine be purchased for the Demotte Branch Library. Motion died for lack of a second.

Mrs. Helen Scanlon asked for part time employment beginning Jan. 1, 1972 and the board approved her request. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mrs. Brown seconded. The motion carried.

The board agreed that <sup>three</sup> part time employees should be hired. There were 28 applicants. Miss Brown had approved 5 of these applicants. She was given permission to hire <sup>two</sup> employees for the part time positions. The third opening will be filled after the Jan. meeting. Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> will be our next meeting date.

The account number (51) for insurance was short \$69.31. This was transferred from account number (55) "Social Security" number, account.



He also paid \$96.36 from the library supplies (acc. no. 31) to pay off the "3 M" account. These motions were made by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mrs. Papp. The motion carried.

Dines and Overland's discussion was continued until January meeting.

Carpeting was appraised and is to be contracted for installation as soon as possible. A Committee was appointed to select Carpeting. The bill is to be paid from the '71 budget.

The Committee selected the Carpeting from Hoovers.

Miss Brown suggested the following hours for the week of Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>.

9:30 A.M. - 8:30 P.M. Mon. & Wed.

9:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. Tues & Thurs.

9:30 A.M. - 12:00 - Friday.

The October bill from Souner Motors was investigated by Mr. Soderstrom and was O.K. for payment. Check was mailed Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> 1971.

The meeting adjourned -

Dea. Beaman Sec.  
Robert Soderstrom Pres.



January 10, 1972

Members of the Library Board met at 7:30 on January 10, 1972, with Robert Soderstrom, Kathryn Hammond, Emory Harrison, Robert Wuerthner and Charles Stath in attendance. The current bills were approved- motion by Harrison and 2nd by Hammond. A check in the amount of \$360.00 from the DeMotte town board was presented. This check was a Thank You for the services the Jasper County Library provided. It was decided that the Rensselaer Library should receive \$100.00 of this amount for expenses incurred by the DeMotte Library. The remaining \$260.00 is to be put into the DeMotte Gift Fund. Mr. Kenning, librarian of the DeMotte library was present. He advised that there were many improvements needed in the DeMotte library. Repair needed on lights- Mr. Soderstrom advised him to contact electrician and have them repaired. Mr. Kenning requested that natural gas for heating be installed in the library- the gas line is close to the rear of the building. The board did not feel it feasible to install gas in building owned by private party. He also stated the need for an adding machine, the board denied this request for the 3rd time. Mr. Kenning was advised to bring his reports to the Rensselaer Library and use the adding machine there. The hours for the DeMotte library are: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Tues. Thurs. & Sat. Mr. Soderstrom suggested that Mr. Kenning make a list of priorities for the DeMotte branch.

Mr. Soderstrom advised that the \$4,000.00 for the Library Improvement Reserve Fund should be invested in a C.D. in the Farmers and Merchants Bank for a 1 yr. period, thus receiving  $5\frac{1}{2}\%$  interest. This transaction was moved by Hammond and 2nd by Harrison.

The problem of fines and rentals was tabled until the February meeting.

Miss Brown, Librarian, advised that the new employees- Cecelia Guillen, Mary P. Davis and Donelle Bok, were hired for 20 hrs. each per week at \$1.75 per hour.

Transfer of funds was moved by Hammond and 2nd by Harrison as follows: Transfer from Personel Services #11- \$133.96 to #14, Other Compensations. Transfer from Services Contractual #22, \$54.26 to #23- printing. (#22 is heat, lights and water). Transfer from #33- Supplies \$53.81 to #32 (janitor and library supplies).

Miss Brown requested permission to close the library for one week, beginning May 29th, to enable the staff and helpers to rearrange the books in the upstairs portion of library.

The County Commissioners had reappointed Mrs. Grevenstuk to the County Board. According to the library laws a member is automatically off of the board if member is absent from six consecutive meetings. Mrs. Grevenstuk has not attended a meeting since March of 1971. Miss Brown is to contact Mr. Amsler, County Auditor, in regard to this appointment. The board approved Miss Brown's request to increase the Anco lease for both the library and the bookmobile.

The remainder of the meeting was spent in discussing the type of bookmobile that should be purchased.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.



The Kasselaer Library and County Board met February 7, 1972. The following members were present, Mr. Soderstrom, Mr. Neutzhue, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Zisch, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Culp and Miss Brown. The minutes were read and approved. A motion was made by Mrs. Hammond that the bills be allowed, and was seconded by Mrs. Beaman. The motion carried.

Mrs. Hammond made a motion that the fire system be reactivated on an overdue basis as of June 1st. Mr. Harrison seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on the room occupied by the Historical Society. The discussion will be continued at the next board meeting.

A discussion was also held on the heating system.

The board O.K.'d a bid by Mr. Eskleman for doing some necessary rewiring.

The County <sup>board</sup> is to propose a solution to bookmobile problems and will be voted on at the next meeting. Miss Brown will write a letter to Newton County stating withdrawal of service effective Dec. 31, 1972.

The meeting adjourned.

Robert Soderstrom Pres.  
Alex Beaman



March 13, 1972

The Russell City Library Board and Contractual Board met March 13. The following members were present Mrs. Guss, new board member from Des Moines, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Heurthner, Mrs. Culp, Mr. Steth, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Beaman and Mr. Soderstrom.

The minutes were read and approved. Dr. Gible and Mrs. Poppin from the Friend of the Library were present and announced that an allocation of \$400<sup>00</sup> (Four Hundred) dollars "profit from sale of Cookbooks" would be given to library for a new "Check Out" desk. Their next meeting is scheduled for April 17.

Miss Brown suggested that an amendment to policy 13 in regard to Holidays be as follows: - Nine Holidays per year as holidays (plus 12 to 3) on Good Friday these holidays to be set up by the board with the suggestion of the librarian at the Patrons meeting prior to the year in question. Motion made by Mrs. Beaman and seconded by Mr. Harrison. The board voted Unanimously. They also approved holidays for the remainder of this year.

The board also approved shortened hours for April 3 - thru <sup>thru</sup> 8.

Mon. - Wed. - Friday 9:30 - 8:30

Tues. - Thurs. - Sat 9:00 - 5:00

Mrs. Hammond moved, Mr. Harrison seconded motion carried.

The election of Officers was held. County board retained their slate of officers Mrs. Heurthner President Mrs. Culp - Secretary.



1972

|                      |       |             |
|----------------------|-------|-------------|
| New Year's Day       | 1/1   | Sat.        |
| Good Friday          | 3/31  | 12 - 3 p.m. |
| Day before July 4th. | 7/3   | Mon.        |
| July 4th.            | 7/4   | Tues.       |
| Labor Day            | 9/4   | Mon.        |
| Vet. Day             | 11/11 | Sat.        |
| Thanksgiving         | 11/23 | Thurs.      |
| Christmas Day        | 12/25 | Mon.        |
| Day after Christmas  | 12/26 | Tues.       |

bb  
re

col  
lat  
t.



RENSSELAER  PUBLIC library  
RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

Mrs. John Linduska: President  
Newton County Library Board  
Rural Route #1  
Morocco, Indiana 47963

Dear Mrs. Linduska,

The library boards of Jasper County and the City of Rensselaer have jointly resolved to discontinue bookmobile service to Newton County, effective December 31, 1972.

This letter of notification is in comppliance with term #7 of the Jasper-Newton County Bookmobile Agreement, originally signed by Carrie Evelyn Linduska and Schuyler L. Robinson.

Sincerely,

Robert Soderstrom  
President- Rensselaer Public  
Library Board

Robert Wuerthner  
President- Jasper County  
Library Board



BOARD MEMBERS AND TERMS

CITY

|                       |        |         |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|
| Beaman, Mrs. Calvin   | Mayor  | 2-1-76  |
| Becker, Mrs. Robert   | School | 3-1-76  |
| Hammond, Mrs. Maurice | Mayor  | 2-29-74 |
| Harrison, Emory       | Judge  | 2-29-74 |
| Holt, Wm. J.          | School | 2-1-75  |
| Soderstrom, Robert    | Judge  | 3-1-73  |
| Zorich, Mrs. George   | Judge  | 3-10-75 |

COUNTY

|                              |               |          |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------|
| Culp, Mrs. Kenneth (Sandra)  | Auditor       | 12-31-73 |
| Nuss, Mrs. Robert (Patricia) | Commissioners | 12-31-74 |
| Stath, Charles               | Commissioners | 12-31-72 |
| Wuerthner, Robert            | Auditor       | 12-31-75 |



The City members -

Mr. Loderstrom - Pres.

Mrs. Hammond - Vice President

Mrs. Goick - Treasure

Mrs. Beaman - Secretary

Mr. Kuentner made a report on the bookmobile. Sandra Culp made a motion that the bookmobile be discontinued Dec. 31, 1972. A letter to Newton Co. was sent to that effect.

Mr. Stath seconded the motion  
Motion carried.

A discussion of the fire system to take effect June 1, 1972 was held.

The meeting adjourned.

Robert Loderstrom Pres.  
Mrs. Beaman Sec.



May 17, 1972

The Russell County Library and County Contractual board met Monday, May 19 at the Public Library. The following members present. Mr. Spearthorne, Mrs. Culp, Mr. Stolt, Mrs. Russ, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Zwick, Mrs. Berman and Mr. Roderstrom.

The minutes were read and approved. A delegation from the Northern part of County was present and Mrs. Vincent Hobner was Chairman of the group and read a protest to the discontinuation of the bookmobile service. The group also presented petitions with (230) three hundred and thirty names. The Indiana State Law states that we must continue to operate as a County Contractual board.

The new fines system will take effect June 1, 1972. The following rates will apply - 10¢ a day or 50¢ per week, third fifth grade; 20¢ a day or 100¢ per week for young adults; 50¢ a day or 250¢ a week for adults per item. Mrs. Hammond moved and Mr. Harrison seconded that we accept this system.

The Historical Society, which is now housed in balcony of library, requested that painting and plastering of one wall of balcony be done soon. Miss Berman was instructed to have this done as soon as possible.

Miss Berman suggested that the Mrs. Marsha Eilers as a part time employee for the summer at an approximate salary of \$750 (Seven Hundred Fifty) dollars.

The bills were presented. Mr. Harrison moved and Mrs. Berman seconded that the



- bills be approved. The motion carried.  
 a lengthy discussion was held on  
 the possibilities of service to the people  
 of the County. Three possibilities were  
 discussed.

- A. A mini mobile
- B. A station wagon - book drop
- C. Branch at Wheatfield.

A Committee was appointed to research  
 these possibilities further and present a  
 resolution at next board meeting.  
 The committee consists of Sandra Kulp,  
 Mr. Holt, Mrs. Mues, Mr. Soderstrom  
 and Miss Brown.

The May 3, 1992 I. L. A. District meeting  
 was announced.

Mr. Eskleman has completed the electrical  
 repairs.

A budget Clinic will be held in  
 Mishawaka, May 24, 1992. Miss Brown  
 encouraged board members to attend.

A closed discussion held concerning  
 the Demotte Branch.

The meeting was adjourned.  
 Robert Soderstrom Pres.  
 Klee Beaman Sec.



312 May 15, 1972

RENSSELAER  PUBLIC library

RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

*The Rensselaer City and*

Jasper County Contractual Library Board met for its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 pm on Monday May 15th. Board members present were Mrs. Katherine Hammond, Mr. Charles Stath, Mrs. Pat Nuss, Mrs. Jaqueline Becker, Mr. Robt. Wuerthner, Mrs. Jacqueline Zorich, Mr. Wm. Holt, Mr. Robt. Soderstrom and Miss Brown the librarian.

Also present at this meeting was a group of citizens from the Tefft-Wheatfield area represented by Mrs. Vincent Hohner, also present was Mrs. Lawyer representing the Wheatfield Town Board.

Since the delegation was present the board took up as its first order of business the recommendation of the special committee assigned last meeting. The committee recommended that a branch be established in Wheatfield in an effort to better serve the county's northern population after the Jasper-Newton County Bookmobile is taken off the road December 31, 1972. Opening of the Wheatfield Branch is scheduled for January 1973. Tentatively set up is a branch schedule of DeMotte--20 hours per week and Wheatfield--15 hours per week. Mrs. Lawyer's, representing the Wheatfield Town Board, advised the Contractual Library Board that there is a six (6) months notification clause (to remove the building off school property) in the agreement between the Town of Wheatfield and the Kankakee Valley School System. She also requested the library board to state what it is willing to furnish for the branch so that she could report this to the town board. She was advised that this board would be willing to provide a librarian, books, furniture, and shelving. The needed structural improvements were discussed.

It was moved by Mrs. Katherine Hammond and seconded by Mr. William Holt that the bills be allowed.

Mrs. Ethel Yoder, the Bookmobile driver, was granted 12¢ per mile as mileage fee when using her car as a Bookmobile while regular vehicle is under repair.

Miss Brown announced that a saturation campaign would begin May 22 through 27 to get books returned before the fine policy takes effect June 1, 1972. Boxes are being placed at all the schools, newspaper articles and radio spots are also being used.

Miss Brown is to explore the possibility of a 5% salary increase for the staff in 1973.

For the June 5th meeting Miss Brown is to present for the board's inspection and evaluation the 1972 budget now in use and a tentative 1973 budget. The 1973 budget to be tentatively based on a 7¢ county tax rate and a 27¢ city tax rate, which would bring in \$48,500.00 based on present assessment figures. The tentative budget will not include a book budget for Demotte or Wheatfield branches. It is hoped to find a way to use LIRF for this purpose. A plan of a \$2000.00 book budget per year for each branch is being investigated by Miss Brown. The State Board of Accounts and the State Library must be contacted for clarification of LIRF and its uses.

Meeting adjourned.



June 5, 1972

The Rosalia City and Jasper County Library Board met for its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, June 5. Board members present were Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Havisson, Mrs. Keuthner, Mrs. Beaman and Miss Brown. Also Mrs. Poppens, and Dr. Gible (Friends of the Library).

Mrs. Hammond conducted the meeting in the absence of Mr. Soderstrom (Pres).

The minutes were read and approved. Mrs. Beaman made a motion to allow bills and Mrs. Havisson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussions were held on paying employees twice per month and a sale of books that have been withdrawn. This last project to be carried out in cooperation with the "Friends of the Library".

Mrs. Beaman made a motion that the pay of the pages be raised from \$.75 per hour to \$1.00 per hour. Mrs. Becker seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Henry Gible, President of the Friends of the Library Organization, presented the board with a check for \$450<sup>00</sup> to be used for the purchase of a new check out desk.

Miss Brown presented the board members present at the meeting (and mailed to those not present) the proposed 1973 budget. Also presented was the 5% salary increase schedule. The July 10 meeting will be for discussion of this budget. August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting is for board approval and signatures. September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting is date for public hearing on the 1973 budget. September 8<sup>th</sup> is last day to file the budget in County auditors office.

State Board of Accounts say LIRF



Cannot be used for book stock for branches. It can be used for shelving, equipment and repairs to branches. Any purchase needs approval of the State Board of Tax Commissioners and must be advertised.

Bids on the sale of Bookmobile must be open, and 3 appraisals must be gathered to arrive at satisfactory price. Copy of appraisals, sale price, purchaser's name, location of purchaser, and a complete accounting of how money collected from sale of unit has been spent, one copy of each to State Library and 1 copy on permanent file in this Library.

Motion was made to adjourn.

Robt. Lockston Pres.

Alva Keenan Sec.



The Russell City and Jasper County Contractual Library Board met for its regular meeting July 10<sup>th</sup> 1972 at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present - Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison and Mr. Soderstrom from the City and Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Nuss and Mr. Theustner from the County and Miss Brown from the library. The minutes were read and approved. A discussion of possible use of L.I.R.T. was held and a Committee of Mr. Holt and Mr. Harrison was appointed to investigate physical improvements for this building and report back at the September meeting.

A bi-monthly payroll schedule was adopted beginning July 15. The pay days will be the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of each month. The motion was made by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mrs. Becker.

Mr. Theustner and Mr. Soderstrom were appointed to get appraisals for the brookmobile by October meeting.

Miss Brown was given permission to go ahead on Desoto Branch improvements.

A motion that bill be allowed were made and approved. Mr. Harrison made the motion - was seconded by Mrs. Becker.

The first budget will be mailed to all board members.

The next board meeting the signatures must be obtained.

Meeting adjourned -

Robert Soderstrom Pres.  
Ken Beaman (Sec.)



The Bensenville City Library and Jasper County Contractual Library Board met for its regular meeting Aug. 14, 1972 at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present Mrs. Becker, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Hammond and Mr. Soderstrom from the City and Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Lath and Mrs. Theodorson from the County and Miss Brown from the library.

The minutes were read and approved. The motion was made by Mrs. Hammond and seconded by Mr. Harrison.

The amount received from the sale of the library's old books was approximately \$100.00 some books still withstanding when they are sold full amount to be presented to the board.

A discussion was held on the physical improvements to the library. a full report to be given next month by Mr. Holt and Mr. Harrison. A discussion of new furniture is to be held the next meeting, Miss Brown will have all the available information for the September meeting.

The 1973 budget of \$53,794.00 Mrs. Zwick's objections to the budget were cited from her letter (a) too many employees, advised elimination of one page and decrease the hours of Mrs. Bok (part time children's assistant) and (b) temporary help be removed from budget for Bensenville. (\$450.00)

The Budget of 53,794.00 was approved. Motion was made by Holt, and seconded by Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Culp.

Signatures were obtained on necessary budget forms. Meeting adjourned.  
(Robert Soderstrom Pres.) Miss Brown Sec.



September, 1972

September meeting not held. Quorum  
not reached. Budget meeting held.  
Public did not appear to object to the 1973  
Budget.

Ala. Beamson Sec.  
Robt. Sebastian. Pres.



BOARD MEETING - OCT. 2, 1972

Boards of the Rensselaer Library and the County Library met Monday, October 2, 1972. Members present were; Robert Soderstrom, Jackie Zorich, Klea Beaman, Jackie Becker and Kathryn Hammond. County Board members present were; Charles Stath and Robert Weurthner. Due to the lack of a quorum at the Sept. meeting, the bills for Sept. and Oct. were presented. Kathryn Hammond moved and Klea Beaman seconded the motion that all bills be allowed.

The Librarian presented the hourly schedule for employees. Miss Brown had suggested that the Board put a ceiling of \$2.25 on the hourly wage scale for non-professional help. The Board did not feel that this idea was desirable.

The Board advised Miss Brown to advise the State Library that the Bookmobile is to be sold Jan. 1, 1973. Mr. Weurthner suggested that a "For Sale" ad be put in the newspapers.

Mrs. Nuss, the Board member from DeMotte area, had suggested that a Mrs. Bea Schultz be employed in the DeMotte branch library to replace Mr. Kenning. Miss Brown had requested and received a formal resignation from Mr. Kenning. He resigned as of Sept. 15, 1972 without advising the Board prior to the article in the newspaper concerning his displeasure and resignation.

Miss Brown was advised to get estimates on repair and also prices of a new air conditioner.

Mrs. Becker moved and Mrs. Beaman seconded the appropriation of money for the following improvements and repairs: Work to be done on unit heaters in basement (approx. \$600). Installation of sinks, both new and exchanging (approx. \$300). Hot water heater and installation (approx. \$250). Downstairs restroom repairs (approx. \$200), and replacement of outside steps and railing (approx \$400).

Mr. Stath moved and Mrs. Zorich seconded that money be appropriated for the following new furniture: a new desk and shelving to complete the area to be furnished by Buckstaff of Oshkosh, at an approximate cost of \$2271.00, plus shipping.

The Board requested that Miss Brown obtain estimates on paneling the upstairs instead of painting.

No further business - meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be Nov. 6, 1972.

*Klea Beaman, Sec.*

*Robt. Soderstrom Pres.*



September 26, 1972

Rensselaer Public Library  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Miss Brown:

Please accept my resignation effective September 15, 1972.

*Gerald Kenning*  
Gerald Kenning

even that is no more accurate for some  
respective libraries. Each County is to  
advise Federal Government as to how the  
monies were used.

Mr. Solerstone asked for Board approval  
of these divisions of funds, money from



Nov. 6, 1972

The Kussalaer City Library Board and Jasper County Contraband Board met Nov. 6, 1972 at 7:00 P.M. Members present were, Mr. Loderstrom, Mr. Holt, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Heathner, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Zorich, Mrs. Culp and Mrs. Hammond. Minutes of Oct. meeting were read and approved. Bills were presented, Mrs. Hammond moved and Mrs. Zorich seconded to pay bills as presented. The motion carried. Mrs. Holtner requested that a County board member be appointed from Wheatfield Twp. as a replacement for Mrs. Pat Muss.

Due to discontinuation of bookmobile 14 board members from Newton Co. were present to discuss final settlements, which include, books, money, and other assets to be given to Newton Co. Contraband Libraries.

Miss Jean Jock from Indiana State Library was present to explain proper procedure for division of property. Divisions to be as follows, 50% of 1033 books from Federal Project 1963, 50% of Indiana State Library, Dandridge Collection, 50% of money received from sale of the bookmobile. 33 1/3 % of L.I.R.A. for 1965, 1966, 1967 + interest and 30.6 of L.I.R.A. for 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972 + interest. Proceeds from the sale of bookmobile to be divided between Newton and Jasper Counties. Each Unit is to use monies for their respective libraries. Each County is to advise Federal Government as to how the monies were used.

Mr. Loderstrom asked for Board approval of the division of funds, money from



sale of bookmobile and equipment,  
and book stock.

Mrs. ~~moss~~ Culp moved and Mrs.  
Hoet seconded that this be approved.  
Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Culp, Mr. Harrison, Mr.  
Hoet and Mr. Keurthnew voted for approval.  
Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Zrich ~~did~~ not vote.  
Unanimous approval was given to Mr.  
Soderstrom's recommendation that we  
obtain an opinion and or advice on this  
decision from the County attorney and  
on the State Board of accounts.

The meeting adjourned -

Alex. Blanton, Sec.

Robert Soderstrom, Pres.



Dec. 4, 1942.

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and Jasper Co. Contractual Library Board met Dec. 4 at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Holt, Mr. Soderstrom, and Mr. Theurthner and Miss Brown, Librarian.

The minutes were read and approved. The bills were examined and approved. Mrs. Hammond ~~motioned~~ and Mr. Harrison seconded the motion.

The Holiday Hours were discussed and established as Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and Jan 1<sup>st</sup> as closed. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> as 9:30<sup>AM</sup> - 5:30<sup>PM</sup>. Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> as 9:30 - 8:30

Gleatha Harrison has requested to be allowed to go on part time status as of Jan. 1. Social Security will allow her to work \$2100<sup>00</sup> which is approximately 18 hours per week. Mrs. Harrison part time unemployment will mean that Cecilia Gullen will be needed in the library for her 20 hrs. per week. The combination of these two people's hours gives approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour extra time over present up. Miss Brown requested that beginning Jan. 7 the library remain open until 5:30 P.M. on Saturdays.

Motion was made to accept the shelving and furniture bid of \$2225.45. submitted by Library Bureau to install shelving, tables and chairs in Westfield Branch. The motion was made by Mr. Theurthner and seconded by Mr. Harrison.

A motion was made to let Miss Brown select and order for installation carpeting for the Westfield branch in the range of \$750<sup>00</sup>. Mr. Theurthner moved and Mrs.



seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on what to do with the metal shelving and desk from upstairs when the new stairs are installed.

A progress report on the Wheatfield Branch was given by Miss Brown. The furnace has been installed, the painting on the inside is done, broken windows have been replaced, water has been installed plumbing fixtures are all ready to be installed. The ceiling is in the process of being lowered and the hot water heater is on order.

At this date the expected opening date is Jan. 12 (Wheatfield Branch).

The next meeting is January 8, 1973 at 7:30 P.M. A Public Hearing on spending L.I.R.F. from County for the branch and L.I.R.F. for some repairs.

The meeting adjourned.

Glen Beaman Sec.  
 Robt. Anderson, Pres.



Page  
Blank



Page  
Blank



January 8, 1973  
 The Keweenaw Public Library Board and the Jasper Co. Contractual Board, met January 8, at 7:30 P.M. The following members were present, the City members were, Mrs. Zorich, Mrs. Hammond, Mr. Harrison and Mrs. Beaman. The County members Mrs. Kennedy, new member filling Mrs. Stoltz seat on board and Mrs. Jeffries, filling out the term of Mrs. Nuss, and Mr. Spaurthorn and Miss Brown, likewise.

The following transfers of 1972 accounts were made:

from #25 Book Processing, to #23  
 printing and advertising \$83.74  
 from #25 to #21 Communication and  
 Transportation \$220.00  
 from #25 book processing to #24  
 repairs \$56.09  
 from #33 bookmobile, gas, oil, propane  
 and tires to #32 library and  
 janitor supplies \$96.88  
 from #33 bookmobile, gas, oil, propane  
 and tires to #31 office supplies \$34.83  
 from #55 OASI to #51 insurance \$14.82  
 from #73 books, to #72 equipment \$2.37  
 Motion made by Mr. Harrison and  
 seconded by Mrs. Beaman. Motion  
 Carried.

Bills for the balance of 1972 and  
 January 1973 were presented. Motion  
 made by Mrs. Zorich - seconded by Mrs.  
 Hammond that these bills be paid  
 Motion Carried.

The Keweenaw City Library Board  
 accepted the additional appropriations  
 legal notice as published. Motion to accept  
 made by Mrs. Beaman & seconded by Mrs.  
 Hammond. Motion Carried.



Page  
Blank



The County Contraband board voted to accept the additional appropriation, legal action as published. Motion made by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Jeffries. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the metal shelving that was formerly used upstairs behind the desk. It was decided not to sell and to keep for further use.

Crown Point - Center Library will hold Open House and Dedication of their new Library Sunday, January 14, from 2:00-5:00 P.M. The new facility is located at 214 S. Court St. Crown Point. The board members and staff were invited to attend.

The Demotte lease for 1973 was signed. The building is rented from George Korowsky at \$70.00 per month.

Election of Officers were held. The following officers were elected by the County -

President - Robert Theurthner.

Treasurer - Betty Kennedy.

The following officers were elected by the city:

Treasurer - Jackie Gorch

Secretary - Jackie Becker.

The president and vice president will be elected by ballot, since votes were tied by members present.

The meeting adjourned.

Glen Beaman Sec.

Robert Lederstrom, Pres.



Page  
Blank



Feb. 5, 1973

The Renaissance Publius Library Board and the Paper Co. Contractual Bd. met Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present. The city members present were Jackie Jarick, Fleda Beamon, Mr. Harrison, Mrs. Hammond and Jackie Becker. County members present were Betty Kennedy, L. Wueckhner, Sandra Culp and Mrs. Jeffries.

The minutes were read and approved. The dues were examined and approved.

Jackie Jarick moved and Jackie Becker seconded that nomination of officers be held in Dec. with election of officers to be held in Jan.

The votes were tabulated for the election of officers and Capt. Soderstrom <sup>was elected</sup> President and Tom Holt was elected vice-president for 1973.

Vicki Kinnor, page, quit, so a discussion was held about finding a replacement. The guidance office at the high school has been contacted and Fleda Beamon was commissioned to contact two young ladies also.

High bid for the bookmobile of \$1010.25 was accepted. Tillman's Service, 4520 W. 10<sup>th</sup> St. Indianapolis Indiana was high bidder.

Sandra Culp moved and



Page  
Blank



X. Hammond seconded motion that we accept the bid. All approved.

All advertising bills are to be paid in full before distribution of money. One half of balance is to go to Newton County Library and one half to Kennesaw Library.

The meeting adjourned  
 Jackie Becker - Sec.  
 X. Soderstrom - Pres.



Page  
Blank



March 5, 1973

The Rensselaer Public Library Board, and the Jasper County Centennial Board met March 5 at 7:30 p.m. The following members were present:- from the City R. Soderstrom, E. Harrison, J. Becker. The county members present were B. Kennedy and R. Jeffries.

Bills were approved and paid.

The library will be closed for housecleaning the week of May 21<sup>st</sup> thru 26<sup>th</sup>.

Janet Holbrook has been hired as a page.

The meeting was adjourned.  
 Jackie Becker - Sec.  
 R. Soderstrom - Pres.



Page  
Blank



April 2, 1973

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and the Jasper County Contractual ~~Board~~ met April 2 at 7:30pm. The following members were present, from the city - Becker, Hammond, Holt, Beaman and Zarich. The County - Jeffries, Kennedy, Wuerthner.

The Resignation of Robt. Soderstrom was read and approved. The minutes were read and approved. The bills were approved.

Notice was given of a district meeting to be held May 9 at the U. of Valparaiso.

Mrs. Hammond moved Polar Refrigeration be contacted concerning air conditioner for main library by Mr. Holt. Jackie Zarich seconded - motion passed.

A discussion was held on the advisability of holding public meetings at the branch libraries.

R. Wuerthner moved that branch libraries not be opened for public meetings because of limited facilities and lack of personnel. Mrs. Hammond seconded and motion passed.

meeting adjourned  
Jackie Becker - Sec.  
Tom Holt - Pres.



Page  
Blank



May 7, 1973

The Rensselaer Public Library Board and the Jasper County Contractual Board met May 7.

City members present were Becker, Hammond, Fench Beaman, Holt and Harrison. County members present were Culp and Kennedy.

Minutes were read and approved.

Back-up workers in the branch libraries are Phoebe Klapp at Westfield and Berenice Schultz in De Motte.

F. Hammond moved we pay the monthly bills and Mr. Harrison seconded, the motion passed.

Mrs. Hammond was elected vice-president to fill out Mr. Holt's term.

May 29 a budget clinic was held at Knox.

August 20 is the first publication date for the budget.

After all bills were allowed for advertising the Rensselaer Library share from sale of the bookmobile was \$480.10. (To be spent on county facilities).

The Board approved the sending of a letter to the County Commissioners to uphold Lake County request for \$217.50 for services to the blind and handicapped in our County.

Meeting adjourned  
Joel Becker - Sec. Vern Holt Pres.



RENSSELAER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RENSSELAER, INDIANA 47978

January 7, 1969

Mr. Denver Tudor  
Clerk-treasurer, City of Rensselaer  
and library treasurer  
Rensselaer, Indiana

Dear Mr. Tudor:

At their meeting Monday night, <sup>Dec 21 1968</sup> members of the Rensselaer Public Library board approved the following motion:

That the treasurer of the library board be authorized to withdraw from the safety deposit box certificates held by the library in the amount of \$2,000. These certificates of deposit are to be cashed and the proceeds deposited in the library's improvement reserve fund for use in a renovation project.

Very truly yours,

Schuyler L. Robinson  
President

Lucye Pavy  
Secretary







